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▲ Voters across Massachusetts will be able to request a mail-in ballot for both the state primary and general election in 2020 in order to combat healthy and safety concerns amid the coronavirus pandemic. (Rosalyn Impink photo)

## Vote by mail this September or November

By ROSALYN IMPINK  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON/TEWKSBURY — You may have received an Official 2020 Vote By Mail Application from the Massachusetts Secretary of State William Galvin's office in your mailbox recently. This year, all registered voters in Massachusetts have the option to vote by mail in both the Sept. 1 primary and Nov. 3 general election, due to recent legislation passed by the state legislature in recognition of the impacts and health considerations imposed by the coronavirus pandemic.

The change was enacted to allow all voters to cast a ballot without risking their health or the health

of others. If you were one of 4.5 million registered voters in the state who received an application postcard, all you have to do is fill out the tear-off card, sign your name, and drop it in a mailbox or the dropbox at Tewksbury or Wilmington town hall.

The postcards are pre-stamped and pre-addressed to the town clerk's office. Voters have the option to provide an alternate address to their home address if they will not be home to receive their ballot (such as college students). Unenrolled voters have the option to select a party ballot for the primary.

There are several primary races at the local level this year, a Demo-

cratic primary for the Sixth District Congressional seat, and a showdown between incumbent US Senator Ed Markey and Fourth District Representative Joe Kennedy III, both Democrats.

Voters who did not receive or lost their application postcard may download a vote by mail application from [www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleev/early-voting-by-mail.htm](http://www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleev/early-voting-by-mail.htm). The application must be received by the Tewksbury or Wilmington Town Clerk's Office by Aug. 26 for the state primary and Oct. 28 for the state election.

Voters are encouraged to return all paperwork as early as possible. If you are not registered to vote,

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## Hurricane Preparedness Week

By PAIGE IMPINK  
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Governor Charlie Baker declared the week of July 12-18, 2020 as Hurricane Preparedness week. In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, natural and man-made emergency situations are still things that we all need to be ready for, if not more so.

Since August and September are typically the start of hurricane season in Massachusetts, residents are encouraged to use July as a time to prepare. During the pandemic, residents are reminded to add face coverings, hand sanitizer and disinfectant to their emergency kits.

In addition to making an emergency plan, residents should consider that evacuating to an emergency shelter may not be the right choice for them if an underlying health condition might create a vulnerability when sheltering with the general population. Perhaps alternatives such as a relative's home or hotel should be considered.

Building an emergency kit which supports yourself and your family for three to five days without power is part of being prepared. Keeping bottled water on hand, canned food items, a can opener, an items that do not require cooking, such as granola bars, nuts, dried fruit, nut butters, etc. are recommended.

In a hurricane, it is possible that gas, electricity and water supplies could be impacted. Fresh batteries for flashlights, a hand crank or battery powered radio are items that can help. A solar charger for cell phones also could be helpful if electricity is cut off.

A sufficient supply of pet food, medication, and any items needed for personal care should be considered

as access to stores, transportation and limited quantities could be a factor in already disrupted supply chains. Cash and personal identification documents should be able to be accessed quickly.

According to the Massachusetts Emergency Management Association, preparations are being made at the state level including "adding screening, sanitization, disinfection,

and general public health protocols to existing mass care plans; and planning for and preparing to provide sheltering in non-congregate settings such as hotels."

Emergencies and natural disasters are disruptive enough, but layering the considerations of the strain on first responders, emergency rooms, and shelters already affected by the coronavirus just amplifies the need for residents to be as self-sufficient as possible in a crisis.

FEMA, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, recommends being sure that residents can receive emergency alerts in multiple ways. For example, mobile phone users are encouraged to determine with their carrier if they have a Wireless Emergency Alert capable phone.

Weather alerts are sent automatically via the Wireless Emergency Alert system but older phones or flip phones may not be enabled. NOAA weather radios are another way to keep informed, as is subscribing to Twitter @MassEMA or Facebook/MassachusettsEMA.

Locally, it is important to be enrolled in Tewksbury's Code Red system. In Wilmington, residents may enroll in the Everbridge System.

Even if a severe weather event is not going to

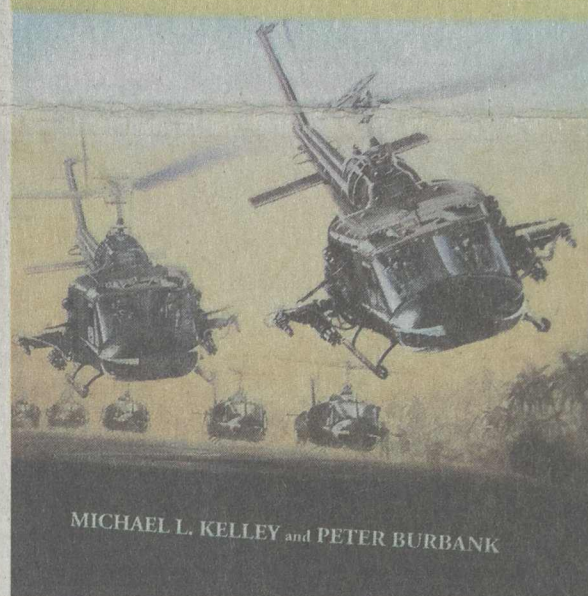
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▲ An emergency preparedness kit should include first aid supplies, gloves, a tarp, crank radio, and other items that could sustain you and your family should a severe weather emergency drive you out of your home. (Paige Impink photo)

## THE GUNNER AND THE GRUNT

Two Boston Boys in Vietnam with the First Cavalry Division Airmobile



(Cassia Burns photo)

## Wilmington native releases 'The Gunner and the Grunt' about Vietnam, Civil Rights

By CASSIA BURNS  
News Correspondent

TEWKSBURY — Michael Kelley, a Tewksbury resident, has written and published a book titled *The Gunner and the Grunt*. Following Kelley's lifelong friendship with fellow "Boston Boy" Peter Burbank during the Vietnam War, the book provides reflection on the Vietnam War, as well as early aspects of the Civil Rights Movement through the perspective of the men during their time serving, as well as their lives after returning home.

Raised in the Cambridge/Somerville area, Kelley has had ties to the Tewksbury/Wilmington area for the entirety of his life. During his childhood, his family would vacation in a cottage in Wilmington, and he would ride his bike from his home in Cambridge to a friend's on South Street in Tewksbury. After getting mar-

ried, he relocated to Wilmington, where he lived for 20 years. Later, he moved to Tewksbury, where he currently resides.

Even before writing his book, Kelley enjoyed writing. After his time in the service, Kelley took up freelancing, publishing pieces in the *Lowell Sun* and the *Town Crier*. At one point, he had his own column entitled "Country Roads," in which he discussed his childhood experiences in the area.

Kelley began writing his memoir back in 1974, soon after returning from Vietnam. However, kept busy with the demands of work and family life, he did not finish the book until recently. Motivated by the desire to finish the book so it could be shared with those he served with in Vietnam and their families, he completed it after his own retirement.

The root of Kelley's

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## Maintaining mental health during COVID-19

By CASEY STEVENSON  
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The year 2020 has been a rough year for everyone and taken a toll on mental

health. More than ever, it is important to maintain emotional health and wellness. Over the course of the past five months, children, adolescents, and adults alike have had to fight their own mental battles as we all come to terms with the "new normal."

For children, times like these can bring confusion and anxiety. Try to calmly explain what's going on, in a way that they understand. In the summer days, encourage them to play outside and do things they enjoy. If they are sad that

they are missing out on special events, like birthday parties, explain there are ways their day can still be special. One unique example being scheduled zoom calls with their favorite characters, or the ever popular birthday parades.

If you have a teen, encourage them to reach out to their friends, whether it's through virtual hangouts, Zoom, or other forms of social media. For children and teens, it is important for them to understand that their feelings are valid, and

that it is OK to be upset and frustrated.

Many adults have set up virtual hangouts with family, too. Some fun examples have been game nights, or happy hour on Zoom, FaceTime, or Google Hangouts.

In times like these, it is important to check up on those we care about. Call your loved ones, and make sure they are doing OK. The National Suicide Hotline, as well as the Massachusetts Department of

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## Wilmington Virtual Library Notes:

## Author Talk with Wayne Miller on Thursday, July 30

WML Programs  
Gone Virtual!

See our entire calendar of events and register for programs at [wilmlibrary.org](http://wilmlibrary.org).

## Adult Programs

Creative Writing  
Skills Group

**Tuesday, July 28 at 7 p.m.**  
Learn and apply creative writing tips, tools, and techniques shared by published authors and other writing experts. Open to all who want to improve their creative writing skills and get their work published. When registering, please provide your email address so you can receive an agenda and any prep materials in advance. Led by local writing enthusiast, Barbara Alevras.

Author Talk with  
Wayne Miller

**Thursday, July 30 at 7 p.m.**  
Wayne Miller was a Special Agent, Criminal In-

vestigator and Certified Fire Investigator for the U. S. Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms for 25 years. He has been involved in numerous high profile criminal cases, including the largest arson case in the history of the country. In the early 1980s, Boston was set ablaze. Two hundred sixty-four buildings were burned intentionally set on fire, resulting in millions of dollars in damages and hundreds of injuries. Burn Boston Burn tells the true story of the deep conspiracy of nine men, determined to wreak havoc on the city and the relentless investigators who uncovered them.

One on One Virtual  
Tech Help with Brad

**Tuesdays at 10 a.m.**

If you are having an issue with a piece of technology or have some questions about something before you go out and buy it,

register for a one-on-one session with Technology Librarian, Brad McKenna

## Library on the Lawn

**Tuesdays 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. and Thursdays 5 - 7 p.m.**

Would you like to browse and checkout books and DVDs? Be sure to stop by the front of the library to peruse carts of adult, teen, and children's materials. Masks are required and we ask all to respect social distancing. This event will not take place during inclement weather.

## Youth Programs

## Trivia Brothers:

## Family Trivia Event

**Monday, July 27 at 6:30 p.m.**

The Trivia Brothers will host a live trivia event via Zoom, complete with zany, light-hearted trivia that fits into our summer theme, Imagine Your Story. Recommended team

sizes 3-6 players. All ages.

## Nature Club

**Tuesday, July 28 at 4 p.m.**

Join other nature lovers via Zoom to learn about different animals each month. Watch videos, do activities and make a craft (materials will be sent in advance). Grades 1-3

## Read Aloud

Book Club Books  
for a Better World

**Wednesday, July 29 at 4 p.m.**

Do you miss reading and listening to stories with your friends at the library? Then this read-aloud book club is for you! Sit back and relax as Barbara reads you lots of different books about lots of different kids on Zoom. Join us for all 4 weeks, or just come when you can. Grades 1-5

## Board Game Club

**Wednesday, July 29 at**

**6:30 p.m.**

Looking to learn, play, or create fun board games? Share your favorite game or latest prototype and we'll play together on Discord and Tabletop Simulator on Steam until we can meet again in person. Students and their adults welcome, registration encouraged! (Library Steam and Tabletop Simulator accounts are available to use for Board Game Club.) Grades 6-12

## Crafternoons:

## Pygmy Puff Pets

**Thursday, July 30 at 3:30 p.m.**

Register to reserve your take-home kit to pick up via curbside the week of the session, and join Brittany for a Zoom tutorial on day of the program! (Call or text the number on the sign outside of the library's parking lot entrance when you arrive to pick up your Crafternoon kit. Curbside service is

available to pick up your kit beginning the Saturday before the Crafternoon will take place until the Thursday afternoon of the Zoom tutorial. Curbside is available: Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.)

Using faux fur, safety eyes and nose, felt, and polyester fiber fill, create a pygmy puff pet inspired by the Wizarding World! All supplies are provided, but you will need a marker, scissors, a hot glue gun and hot glue, or a needle and thread to complete creating your pet at home. Grades 4-8

## Outdoor Chalk Friday

**July 31 at 10 a.m.**

Use chalk to create a masterpiece in the staff parking lot. Families will be assigned a designated area, socially distanced from others, to use their imaginations with chalk. Masks required. All ages.

## The Ipswich River



Low levels and stagnant water in July, with high temperatures and very little rain. The Ipswich River as it travels under Wildwood Street in Wilmington.

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It's Your Money  
by Todd BrisboisTHE CHILD  
TAX CREDIT  
BENEFITS ELIGIBLE  
PARENTS

Taxpayers who claim at least one child as a dependent on their tax return may be eligible to benefit from the child tax credit. Here are some details about this credit:

The maximum amount of the credit is \$2,000 per qualifying child.

Taxpayers who are eligible to claim this credit must list the name and Social Security number for each dependent on their tax return.

The child must be younger than 17 on the last day of the tax year, generally Dec 31.

The child must be the taxpayer's son, daughter, stepchild, foster or adopted child, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half-brother or half-sister. An adopted child includes a child lawfully placed with them for legal adoption. They can also include grandchildren, nieces or nephews.

The child must have not provided more than half of their own support for the year.

The taxpayer must claim the child as their dependent on their federal tax return.

The child cannot file a tax return for the same year with the status married filing jointly, unless the only reason they are filing is to claim a refund.

The child must be a U.S. citizen, a U.S. national or a U.S. resident alien.

In most cases, the child must have lived with the taxpayer for more than half of 2020.

In some cases, a taxpayer qualifies and gets less than the full credit. These taxpayers must have earned income of at least \$2,500 to receive a refund, even if they owe no tax, with the additional child tax credit.

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## Four students named to Dean's List at BU

BOSTON — Four Wilmington residents have recently been named to the Dean's List at Boston University for the Spring semester.

Students recognized for this honor include: Julia Bighetto Albignente, Alexa M. Peroni, Evonna Smiljic, and Ziying Zhang. Each school and college

at Boston University has their own criterion for the Dean's List, but students generally must attain a 3.5 grade point average (on a 4.0 scale), or be in

the top 30 percent of their class, as well as a full course load as a full time student.

## Seven students graduate from Boston University

BOSTON — Boston University awarded academic degrees to 6,927 students in May 2020.

Receiving degrees were Wilmington residents Evonna Smiljic, Bachelor of

Science in English Education; Alexa M. Peroni, Bachelor of Science in Health Science; Meaghan Bransfield, Master of Social Work in Social Work; Julia Bighetto Albignente,

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science, and a Bachelor of Science in Communication; Craig M. Venezia, Bachelor of Arts in Biology; Kelsey T. Sullivan, Juris Doctor in Law,

Magna Cum Laude; Christopher E. Golankiewicz, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in Business Administration and Management.

## Tingdahl named to Dean's List at University of Maine

FARMINGTON, ME — The University of Maine at Farmington is proud to announce its Dean's List for the spring 2020 semester including Jeremy Tingdahl of Wilmington.

Located in the heart of Maine's four-season out-

door recreational region, UMF is nationally recognized for its academic excellence, affordability and graduates' positive career outcomes.

UMF maintains a Dean's List each semester for those students com-

pleting a minimum of 12 credits in courses producing quality points. Students whose grade point average for the semester is equal to or greater than 3.8 are awarded high academic achievement. Students whose grade point

average for the semester is less than 3.8 but equal to or greater than 3.5 are awarded academic achievement. Any incompletes must be satisfactorily completed before the student is honored with Dean's List status.

## Estremera graduates from William James College

NEWTON — Cynthia Estremera of Wilmington graduated with a Doctor of Psychology in School Psychology from William James College.

Students at William James College train to become culturally-competent professionals in

psychology, behavioral health, leadership and human services fields.

"Completing your degree and receiving your diploma marks the end of a considerable period of growth and the beginning of the next phase of your life," said William James

College President Nicholas Covino in an email to the graduates. "Each of you is well-trained to bring relief and support to organizations and individuals who need your talents. We speak about the limited access to psychological services at all lev-

els, your arrival on the scene changes that a bit."

William James College has been celebrating graduates with virtual ceremonies this spring, and will hold a formal Commencement Ceremony on Sunday, Sept. 13, 2020.





Goodbye Route 38 Cafe

Ah, the Route 38 Cafe and their home-cooked meals. Another popular mom and pop breakfast nook closes on Main Street in Tewksbury.  
(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

Three students graduate from Western New England

SPRINGFIELD — Western New England University congratulates over 950 students who received their academic degrees in May 2020.

The following students earned their degrees:

- Eve Carciofi of Tewksbury graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science.
  - Brian Whinery of Tewksbury graduated summa cum laude with a BS in Engineering.
  - Steven Hamel of Tewksbury graduated with a BS Business Administration.
- A Salute to Undergraduate students of the class

of 2020 featuring a driving parade of the Western New England community, conferral of degrees, memories of the journey, and a live chat can be viewed here (<https://youtu.be/ruftr3pw-1o>).

A Salute to Doctoral, MMaster's, Law, Pharmacy, and Occupational Therapy students of the class of 2020 can be viewed here (<https://youtu.be/XqJt1bK KjcY>).

All Class of 2020 students will be warmly welcomed back to campus for a traditional ceremony when it is safe to do so.

Having just celebrated its Centennial, Western New England University is a private, independent, coeducational institution. Located on an attractive 215-acre suburban campus in Springfield, Massachusetts, Western New England serves 3,825 students, including 2,580 full-time undergraduate students.

Undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs are offered through Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, Pharmacy and Health Sciences, and the School of Law.

Tewksbury officials released the revised Community Choice Power Supply Program Aggregation Plan

Tewksbury — On Oct. 14, 2015, the Town of Tewksbury filed with the Department of Public Utilities (DPU) a petition for approval of its Aggregation Plan pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, § 134. The DPU docketed the town's original petition as D.P.U. 15-90.

On Dec. 29, 2015, the DPU issued an Order approving the town's Aggregation Plan, concluding that it was consistent with the requirements established in M.G.L. c. 164, § 134. Under the town's existing Aggregation Plan, the town has established a Community Choice Power Supply Program in which the town aggregates the load of electric consumers located within the town's borders in order to procure competitive supply of electricity for program participants.

Eligible consumers are automatically enrolled in the program unless they choose to opt-out. The town retained Colonial Power Group, Inc. (CPG) as a consultant to assist in the design, implementation, and administration of the plan and program.

The Town of Tewks-

bury's revised Aggregation Plan remains consistent with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 164, § 134. The revised plan addresses the required provisions for organizational structure, operations, funding, activating and terminating the plan, methods for entering and terminating agreements, rate setting and other costs to participants, universal access, and equitable treatment of ratepayers, reliability, and rights and responsibilities of participants.

The revised plan, similar to other Community Choice Power Supply Programs administered by CPG, incorporates several innovative features that best address these requirements in the context of the objectives of the town.

Pursuant to the DPU's Order in D.P.U. 14-100, City of Lowell's Revised Municipal Aggregation Plan (March 2, 2015), the town has distributed the revised Plan for public review prior to submitting it to the DPU.

Basic Service rates change twice a year or more, depending on rate class. As a result, the ag-

gregation rate may not always be lower than the Basic Service rate. The goal of the aggregation is to deliver savings over the life of the program against National Grid Basic Service. However, such savings and future savings cannot be guaranteed.

Public Review and Comment Period

The Town of Tewksbury's Aggregation Plan was available for public review and comment from Monday, June 22, 2020, at 9 a.m. through Monday, July 13, 2020, at 5 p.m.

Any person who desired to comment submitted written comments using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail to [rmon-tuori@tewksbury-ma.gov](mailto:rmon-tuori@tewksbury-ma.gov); or (2) by postal mail to the address below.

Comments were clearly marked Town of Tewksbury's Aggregation Plan and were received (not postmarked) by the end of the comment period in order to be addressed.

Any questions pertaining to this should be directed to Richard Montuori, Town Manager at (978) 640-4300.

Baker-Polito Administration extends moratorium on evictions and foreclosures until Oct. 17

BOSTON — Governor Charlie Baker extended the pause on evictions and foreclosures for 60 days, until Oct. 17, 2020, through the authority granted to the governor by Chapter 65 of the Acts of 2020, An Act providing for a moratorium on evictions and foreclosures during the COVID-19 Emergency, which was signed into law on April 20, 2020.

This law's limitations on evictions and foreclosures have allowed many tenants and homeowners impacted by COVID-19 to remain in their homes during the state of emergency, and this extension provides residents of the Commonwealth with continued housing security as businesses cautiously reopen, more people return to work, and the state collectively moves toward a "new normal."

The moratorium was set to expire on Aug. 18, 2020.

Tenants are strongly encouraged to continue to pay rent, and homeowners

to make their mortgage payments, to the extent they are able. To assist low-income households in making rent and mortgage payments, as well as support landlords needing these rent payments to pay expenses, the Baker-Polito Administration launched a new \$20 million, statewide fund, the Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance (ERMA) program, on July 1st.

This funding complements the \$18 million currently available through the Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT) homeless prevention program, which can also be used for rent or mortgage payments. In each program, landlords or mortgage lenders receive payments directly from the RAFT administering agencies.

During this 60 day extension, the Administration will consult with the court administrators and other stakeholders regarding

programs and policies to help tenants avoid eviction when proceedings resume.

The law suspends most residential and small business commercial evictions, as well as residential foreclosures. It does not relieve tenants or homeowners of their obligation to pay rent or make mortgage payments. The law also:

- Prevents landlords from sending notifications to residential tenants that threaten eviction or terminating of a lease;
- Limits court actions on non-essential evictions;
- Relieves tenants, both residents and small commercial, from late fees and negative credit reporting;
- Allows landlords to use "last month's rent" to pay for certain expenses, though not as a replacement rent payment, and only with proper notification of tenant;
- Requires lenders to grant a forbearance for up to 180 days if a home-

owner experiencing financial hardship due to COVID-19 submits such a request; and

- Allows for alternative payment agreements between lenders and borrowers regarding forbearance payments.

Since the beginning of

the State of Emergency, the Administration has supported housing stability for households across the Commonwealth. The Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development (EOHED) has drafted emergency regulations to implement the notice pro-

visions of the eviction and foreclosure moratoriums.

The Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) supported our state-aided public housing and affordable housing operators with guidance, and worked with stakeholders across the state to coordinate resources. Additional resources and information can be found on DHCD's COVID-19 Resource Page.

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Our Commitment to Safety

Welcome back into The Savings Bank. We have reopened our lobbies and implemented the highest safety standards to protect our customers and employees.

Our Commitment to Service

Although our lobbies have reopened, you can access and manage accounts at the drive-thru, by phone or online, or through appointment banking.

Our Commitment to Security

Our mission is to improve lives of people in our communities. The Savings Bank is strong and secure, and we're built for times like this.

We can't wait to see you again.



"Welcome back!"  
Bruce G. Donovan  
Senior Vice President  
Senior Branch Administrator

Middlesex Sheriff's Office announces virtual Youth Public Safety Academy

CHELMSFORD — Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian is inviting Middlesex County families to participate in a series of live, virtual Youth Public Safety Academy (YPSA) events beginning July 29 at 10 a.m.

The virtual series will replace the annual in-person camp designed for youngsters ages 8-12 that was cancelled this year due to COVID-19.

"YPSA is one of our most successful community programs," said Sheriff Koutoujian. "Each year, more than 1,000 youngsters participate alongside our staff and other public safety professionals from across Middlesex County. Not only do participants learn value safety lessons, but they build relationships with the public safety professionals who work hard to keep them safe. This virtual series will allow us to maintain and strengthen the important connections we strive to make with our county's youngest residents."

The live session will include videos and presentations on important public

safety topics.

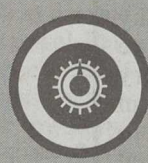
Families wishing to register for the series can

email [YPSA@sdm.state.ma.us](mailto:YPSA@sdm.state.ma.us) to learn more.

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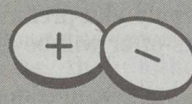
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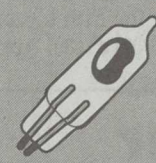
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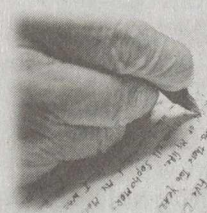
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## Letters to the editor

### More plots needed at Tewksbury Cemetery

Dear editor:

I was on the Tewksbury Board of Selectmen from 2003-2009. In 2007-2008, I was chair. During that time, then Town Manager David Cressman and I put together a plan (working with Rep. Jim Miceli) to get 10 acres of land from the state to expand the Tewksbury Cemetery. At that time, we were running out of plots.

Fast Forward to 2020 and my wife and I are considering purchasing a plot. Now we find that nothing has been done during this entire period. My wife and I were both born in 1946. We are the beginning of the

Baby Boomers.

From 1946-1964, 76 million babies were born in the US. As we continue, there will be more and more demand for cemetery plots. It is very unfortunate that this has not been addressed after all this time.

We have lived in Tewksbury for 48 years. This is a community we have come to love. We would really like to be buried here as would many of our friends. I hope the state will move out on this effort.

Sincerely yours,  
Jerome E. Selissen

### Book Stew Review

### 'Tell the Wolves I'm Home' by Carole Rifka Brunt

By EILEEN MACDOUGALL

This is an unforgettable mashup between a YA and an early AIDS novel. The formerly fierce friendship of sisters Greta and June falls apart when Greta, the elder, starts middle school, and June turns to her godfather and uncle, renowned artist Finn, for companionship and then, an actual real and painful crush.

Greta, younger than her school peers and a raging mass of jealousy, makes everything worse at home for June, a friendless loner. When Finn gets sick, he paints one last portrait of Greta and June, which is discovered and treasured by the art world after his death.

When Finn dies, his sister Danielle, June and Greta's mom, blames the man in the blue car who shows up

uninvited at the funeral and calls him a murderer. He is Toby, Finn's lover, who has been kept secret from the sisters at Danielle's insistence.

He reaches out to June, who responds, despite the mid-1980s fear of catching AIDS by sitting next to someone who has it. The portrait itself functions almost like a character in the plot. Every family secret and grievance, even the ones going back to Danielle and Finn's childhood, and the details of Finn and Toby's meeting, rings true and June is an impressive heroine for all time.

Quote: "It's the most unhappy people who want to stay alive, because they think they haven't done everything they want to do. They think they haven't had enough time. They feel like they've been short-changed."

By PAUL ANDREWS

Burlington School Superintendent Eric Conti was the recipient of the Dr. Christos Daoulas Award for his work over the years in education in his teaching and administration work as well as in efforts for the Superintendent's Association including his time as President of the Association.

A long time science teacher, Eric has served as superintendent in Burlington for several years and has brought his organizational skills and his knowledge of science education into his work over these years. Eric also has special talents in the area of technology, which has served the Burlington community well in the growth of some dynamic programs through the efforts of staff and students.

Eric accepted the award from Reading School Superintendent and Institute Moderator John Doherty, expressing his surprise and delight at receiving the award on behalf of all school superintendents

Superintendent's Executive Institute

The two-day Institute

that was held this past week featured some outstanding presenters, as well as some well focused panels, which was presented to close to 500 school leaders in full-day sessions done remotely because of the pandemic. The focus of the sessions shifted in March when it was determined that local superintendents could not leave the district for an on-site conference but the way to go was to establish this 26th annual Institute as a "virtual conference" to bring the conference to the members in the districts, which proved most attractive and successful according to the attendees.

The topics for the Institute were also shifted to add the vital issue of "looking at the procedures of returning to school after the pandemic" to two prior issues on the agenda of looking at methods around curbing racism and second, strategies to cope with the escalation of social-emotional problems taking place in our culture.

Douglas Brinkley, a Presidential Historian, gave all superintendents some added background on prior major health issues that have impacted our country, making the point that the issues around

this COVID-19 pandemic make it one of the most serious events ever in our history.

The Institute also featured Project 351 students, who did a remarkable job in their presentations around equity and how much still needed to be done in this area of our culture.

Mass. school openings

Meanwhile, more is happening on the "school opening side" as districts will be submitting proposals to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education from each district engrossing school based, remote and a combination of both in each community for action by DESE in terms of suggestions, etc.

Meanwhile, we have the continuing chat at the national and state levels on whether schools will open on the usual "start" date or later with considerable speculation that the virus could be making a return in the fall, which is all subject to future analysis.

Meanwhile, local school officials have to assume any and all situations with parents eager to get a grasp on their plans for the year ahead with deep

concern for the health of their families.

JUST A BRIEF NOTE:

First, my thanks for your comments to me at [andrews@massupt.org](mailto:andrews@massupt.org) as we continue the discussion of the process of looking at education in the weeks ahead for the students of Town Crier land and for the Commonwealth in general.

Many of you enjoy the extractions that I include from the Morning Pulse so I am adding some of those as usual, including the following: Australian consumers shaken as virus lockdowns return; Retirement plans are down because of COVID-19; UK economic recovery was much slower than expected in May; Many teachers contemplating retirement if forced to return to the classroom; Emerging markets are going to pay the price again; Changes in the immune system can promote healthy aging; Large study links gum disease with dementia; Mental health professionals taking on more clients; United Pilots to consider furlough and early retirement; NYPD sees "troubling" surge of retirement filings and pandemic prompts world's wealthy to think about succession planning.

## Lack of transparency in Police Reform Bill

TEWKSBURY — Alec DiFruscia, Republican candidate for State Representative in the 19th Middlesex District, made the following statement on the Massachusetts Senate passing the Police Reform Bill (S.2008) without a public hearing:

"The Senate Police Reform Bill lacked transparency from the very start. In typical Beacon Hill fashion, the bill was written behind closed doors and was released on Sunday of the 4th of July weekend. The timing

was purposeful and pointed — Democrat leadership did not want the public's input. Instead, Democrats attempted to ram the bill through the legislative process without any debate. The police, the public, and even the majority of the Senate were deliberately left out of the writing of this bill," DiFruscia said.

"If Democrats had their way, the bill would have passed within days of its release with little attention to detail and zero public input. When the bill

was finally voted on, it was after 4:30 in the morning, when most of Massachusetts was asleep."

The bill now heads to the House for consideration.

"We must balance the power Democrats have on Beacon Hill. Democrat leaders are trying to sidestep the legislative process and rule by decree. More transparency is the only way we can craft impactful legislation and protect the dignity of the democratic process."

"As the next State Rep-

resentative for Tewksbury and Wilmington, I am committed to spearheading efforts to bring more transparency to the State House: making committee votes public and a mandate for a 24 hour bill review period prior to a vote is just a start. Good government is one that is open and honest, because that is the only way for us to hold our government accountable. It starts with checking Democrats' power on Beacon Hill."

## ~Recycling Tip of the Week~

Donation bins are overflowing as companies try to keep up. Find the right place for your items: clothing and linens go in the Pink Bags that go out on your recycling day. Toys and household items can go to Salvation Army (see <https://satruck.org/> for locations), Goodwill Industries (Hudson, NH),

or Savers (Wilmington, Nashua).

Good condition furniture can go to Project Home Again or Lowell Wish Project and electronics should be recycled properly. If it's junk, throw it away. If a bin is full, please don't leave items.

## Recycling event at St. William's

TEWKSBURY — St. William's Church in Tewksbury, 1351 Main St., is holding an electronics recycling event on Saturday, Aug. 15.

## Monteforte Law offers 501(c)(3) application grant for non-profit charities

WILMINGTON — Michael Monteforte Jr., owner of Monteforte Law, P.C., of Wilmington, has created an offer for him to complete the 501(c)(3) application free of charge aside of court filing fees. All may apply and preference for this offer will be given to:

• A non-profit charity that does not have 501(c)(3) status.

• Non-profit that presents strong motivation and work ethic towards their mission statement.

The awarded non-profit will be chosen by the Attorney Michael Monteforte Jr. and Monteforte Law, P.C. staff members.

Over the past five years, Attorney Michael Monteforte has been delivering

one free 501(c)(3) grant application to a lucky charity with exceptions to court filing fees. Every year Mike has helped an organization become more successful and opened them to many more opportunities by completing this tedious application.

Monteforte Law is currently in the search for non-profit charities to apply for this offer. Those looking to apply may contact them at 978-657-7437, via email [atinfo@montefortelaw.com](mailto:atinfo@montefortelaw.com) or by visiting [Bit.ly/501App](http://Bit.ly/501App) to learn more.

## Middlesex Sheriff's Office urges residents to be alert for scams, fraud

MEDFORD — Middlesex Sheriff Peter J. Koutoujian is reminding residents to be alert for scams and fraud targeting people across the country, including newly emerging scams related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over the past several weeks, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of Inspector General have all issued warnings regarding COVID-related scams.

According to the FBI, they have seen an uptick in fraudulent unemployment claims in which scammers are using stolen identities to impersonate victims. If you think you have been the victim of

identity theft related to such a claim, the FBI is encouraging you to contact "law enforcement, state unemployment insurance agencies, the IRS, credit bureaus, and your employer's human resources department."

The IRS is also warning taxpayers to be alert for "tax fraud and other related financial scams related to COVID-19." The IRS' Criminal Investigation division has reported scams relative to Economic Impact Payments (EIP), as well as the selling of fake at-home test kits, vaccines and advice on unproven treatments for COVID-19, according to a release issued last month.

In an effort to help members of the public protect themselves, HHS's OIG has created a video focusing on

five things people should know to protect themselves against COVID-19 health care fraud. Among other steps, HHS is encouraging people to be cautious about unsolicited requests for personal information like Social Security numbers.

Additionally, Sheriff Koutoujian is urging residents to be alert for non-COVID related scams including arrest scams in which callers pose as members of law enforcement. In these scams, callers often

threaten arrest for things such as failure to perform jury duty, failure to pay taxes or Social Security-related fraud, and attempt to either extract money or personal information which they can later use to commit other crimes.

"It's important for all residents to be aware of this type of fraud," said Sheriff Koutoujian. "The criminals who carry out these scams target residents of all ages and economic backgrounds."

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# OBITUARIES

## Maryann A. (Sturzo) Langone

One of the first female police officers

Maryann A. (Sturzo) Langone, age 92, of Wilmington, passed away peacefully on July 20, 2020.

Maryann and Anthony settled in Wilmington where they raised their three children Joseph, JoAnn and MaryAnn.

Maryann was a devoted wife, mother, daughter, niece, sister, and aunt. Maryann especially loved being a grandmother and great grandmother (GiGi).

Maryann cherished the time she spent with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren; she attended countless school events, sports, dance recitals, birthday parties and many other special occasions.

Maryann was one of first female police woman in Wilmington. She was very proud to serve her town.

Throughout the years Maryann loved enjoying summers in Woburn, trips to Disney World, family vacations and the occasional trips to Foxwoods.

She was a wonderful cook and was famous for her homemade meatballs,

gravy, soup, and made every Christmas Eve and Thanksgiving special for her family.

Maryann was very faithful and loved being part of The St. Thomas Parish. Maryann will be fondly remembered as a wonderful lady who loved her family and friends unconditionally.

Maryann was the beloved wife of the late Anthony J. Langone. She was the loving mother of MaryAnn Gillis and her husband John, JoAnn Fogg and her husband Harry and Joseph Langone and his wife MaryJane all of Wilmington.

Maryann was the cherished "Grandma" of Katie Ware, Jay Gillis, Matt Gillis, Kelly Gillis, Kerry Rodenhiser, Colleen O'Hearn, Lianne Thibault, Daniel Fogg, Joseph Fogg, Joseph Langone, Jennifer Smith, Kristie Langone, Kara Blais and their significant others.

Maryann leaves behind 27 great-grandchildren and also Ann Hadley who Maryann thought of as a



daughter.

She was the daughter of the late Joseph and Agripina (Patti) Sturzo. Maryann is also survived by her brother; Joe Sturzo and his wife Mary of Wilmington, as well as many friends and extended family members.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, all services will be held privately.

Memorial donations in Maryann's name can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd, Waltham, MA 02452.

## Jewel E. Rowe

Receptionist, phone operator at USCI

Jewel E. Rowe, age 84, a resident of Emerald Court in Tewksbury, formerly of Merrimack, NH, Lowell, North Attleboro, and Hingham, passed away at D'Youville Center for Advanced Therapy in Lowell on Sunday, July 12, 2020, following an extended illness.

She was the beloved wife of Norman E. Rowe, to whom she was married 41 years until he predeceased her in 2017.

Born in Boston on July 8, 1934, and raised in Hingham, she was the daughter of the late Burton Peaslee and the late Elizabeth (Jewell) Peaslee.

Jewel was a child of Massachusetts' South Shore. She attended Hingham schools and graduated from Hingham High School.

Prior to her retirement in 1993, she was employed as a receptionist and phone

operator by USCI, a division of the C.R. Bard Company in Billerica.

Jewel enjoyed spending childhood summers in Tewksbury on the farm of her grandparents, Asahel and Helen (French) Jewell.

A hardworking single mom and faithful wife, she also enjoyed knitting, crocheting, participating at Fifth Street Baptist Church in Lowell and Community Chapel in Nashua, NH, and being in the company of family and friends.

She is survived by her children Joel B. Guillemette and his wife Wendy, Jill Robinson, and Janet Gowan and her husband, George Jr; 10 grandchildren, several step-grandchildren, great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were



held at the Tewksbury Cemetery on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 2 p.m.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, 133 Federal Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, MA 02110.

Arrangements entrusted to Farmer & Dee Funeral Home, Tewksbury.

[www.farmeranddee.com](http://www.farmeranddee.com)

## The future of reliable water needs citizen leadership

WILMINGTON — The Greenscapes Coalition is calling on residents to take part in a regional watershed restoration project called Water for People that could transform the North Shore. At the end of June, the governor declared a state of drought in the region following a dry winter and below-average spring rain levels.

That, along with recorded June water levels below those during the historic drought of 2016, made it clear that community water conservation remains a relevant issue.

Since there are so many things communities need water for like farms, businesses, recreation, public safety, and basic needs the campaign asks: why do we

still waste so much water on grass? Lawn watering uses huge amounts of water, and less than 20 percent of that water nourishes the grass as 80 percent simply evaporates into the air.

Though many people do choose not to water their lawns, it is still not the norm. The ideal of a lush, green, manicured and monoculture lawn is proving a hard one to shake. What makes it harder is that, unless grass has obviously gone dormant (and brown), it can be hard to tell who is watering and who isn't. That's where the Water for People pledge and lawn signs come in.

Participating residents are asked to pledge not to water their lawns and can then request a Water for

People lawn sign for their property. The Greenscapes Coalition is asking citizens to become leaders of this regional watershed restoration project that will ultimately multiply natural spaces in their neighborhoods. Together, residents who care about clean water can shift behavioral norms towards a new concept of what it means to have a lawn.

### What You Can Do

- Take the Water for People Pledge at [greenscapes.org/waterforpeople](https://www.greenscapes.org/waterforpeople)
- When you take the pledge, request a Water for People lawn sign to help spread the word
- Encourage your community to follow your example

When we save water, we



▲ You don't need to water to have a green yard! Bob Lemoine has never watered his lawn in 40+ years, choosing instead to conserve water for the Ipswich River he's long supported as a member of the Middleton Stream Team. Bob's lawn hasn't suffered at all; it's green, drought tolerant, and low maintenance. (Courtesy photo)

are protecting everything it makes possible from food, public safety, basic needs, and industry to the life long memories made on the river. By turning

off sprinklers and hoses, residents and businesses can make a huge impact.

Making the choice to conserve means ensuring there is enough water for

farms, businesses, drinking water, recreation, and wildlife. Water is too important to waste on grass. Learn more at [greenscapes.org/waterforpeople](https://www.greenscapes.org/waterforpeople)

## Tewksbury Council on Aging news

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS TEWKSBURY SENIOR CENTER

Looking for something fun to stay busy? As the Senior Center remains closed to the public for the time being, we are working on providing some exciting new virtual programming! Stay at home & stay safe while staying socially connected! Perhaps this will be our new "normal" at least for now. Read below for some of what's happening so far. Stay tuned for more to come. You can also visit our website or facebook to stay updated.

Tele BINGO! Tuesday afternoons at 12:30 p.m. This program is being offered at no charge to participants thanks to the Friends of the Elderly, Inc. If you would like to sign up to play Bingo via tele-conference, contact Diane at the Senior Center at 978-640-4480 or email [ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov](mailto:ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov). A Kit will be provided to you with paper bingo cards, 2 daubers and detailed instructions. Your kit will

have enough supplies to play through the end of August (10 packs with 7 sheets each). Don't worry if you didn't sign up for week 1, you can still sign up at any point during the 10 weeks! We look forward to "virtually" seeing you all very soon!

Virtual Fall Wreath Craft Class Project in August/ No experience necessary, Cost \$15 p/p. Receive a kit with all the necessary supplies to put the project together at home. Instructions on how to put your project together will air on the Tewksbury Cable Access TV. This project will be a decorated wreath for the fall season. We still have craft kits available. To sign up, please contact Diane at 978-640-4480 or email [ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov](mailto:ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov).

Check out our "Mystery" Virtual Craft Project coming in September — No experience necessary — Cost \$15. What's in the kit? Shhh, it's a surprise! Participants will receive a kit with all the necessary supplies to put this "mystery"

project together at home. Instructions on how to put your project together will air on Tewksbury Cable Access TV in September on Fridays at 10 a.m. Kits are limited, so sign up today! You can sign up by contacting Diane at 978-640-4480 or email [ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov](mailto:ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov) or on-line at [Myactivecenter.com](https://www.myactivecenter.com). Distribution of the kits will be arranged with a drive up, curb-side pickup.

Virtual Painting Party! Special Price \$10 per class — We are able to offer this special pricing with the help of an ESMV Grant! [SandysBrushStrokes@yahoo.com](mailto:SandysBrushStrokes@yahoo.com) Sandy's Brush Strokes is a premiere paint studio located in Tewksbury. They specialize in transforming amateur painters into Picasso's! They take pride in their unique, customized approach to assure that your experience with them is personal, successful but most of all lots of fun! Sandy has offered to do a special series of 5 different classes with 5 different paintings just for the Senior

Center! Participants will receive a kit with everything they need; 16 x 20 canvas, paints, and several brushes. Whether you're a beginner or have no experience at all, this class is sure to be creative and fun! Class instruction will air on Tewksbury Cable Access Channel. Supply kits are limited so sign up early! Instructions to sign up online using [Myactivecenter.com](https://www.myactivecenter.com) are on page 3. You may also call or email Diane to sign up; 978-790-1237 or [ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov](mailto:ddunlevy@tewbksbury-ma.gov)

DRIVE-UP (Free) BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC, Tewksbury Senior Center, July 10 & 24 from 1 - 2 p.m., weather permitting. Guidelines to follow: Do NOT leave your car, please wear a face covering, with your left arm exposed (no heavy clothing). Please have no more than 2 people in the car and follow all signs and directions from staff and volunteers.

Health & Wellness with Joan Lawrence We apologize that although we advertised 50s & Fit and

Meditation with Joan last month, we have not been able to air these classes yet. We are working on them and hope to have them on-air sometime this month. Thank you for your patience.

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## 9th grade student to hold clothing drive to benefit Cradles to Crayons

WILMINGTON — Wilmington 9th grade student Sofia Pitzen has organized a clothing drive to benefit Cradles To Crayons.

Residents are encouraged to drop off clothing items inside bags in the marked box outside the

garage at 425 Middlesex Ave. The drive takes place daily from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., from July 20 to July 31, 2020.

For more information, email Sofia at [sofiabpitzen@gmail.com](mailto:sofiabpitzen@gmail.com).

Cradles to Crayons provides children from birth

through age 12, living in homeless or low-income situations, with the essential items they need to thrive — at home, at school and at play.

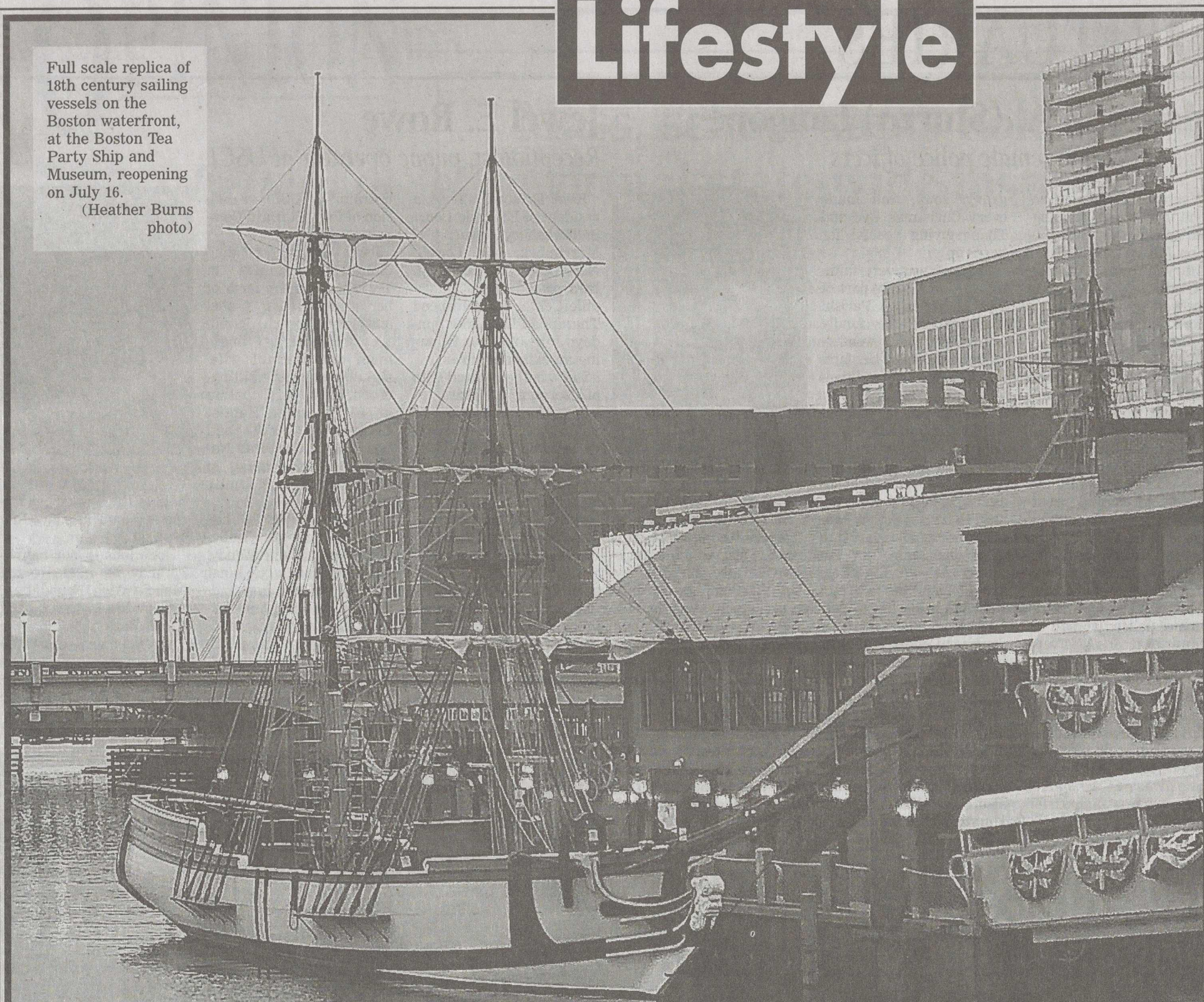
Pitzen currently serves as Wilmington's ambassador to the state's Project 351 initiative. Pitzen

engages in service learning, community building, and leadership training after being selected by Wilmington Middle School officials for her kindness, compassion, humility and gratitude.



# Lifestyle

Full scale replica of 18th century sailing vessels on the Boston waterfront, at the Boston Tea Party Ship and Museum, reopening on July 16.  
(Heather Burns photo)



## COME HAVE A (BOSTON) TEA PARTY

By **HEATHER BURNS**  
News Correspondent

The City of Boston is rich in history, particularly that of the American Revolution era. Due to the busy pace of our daily lives, many Massachusetts residents take for granted or overlook the many wonderful historical sites our area has to offer.

As our state moves onto phase 3 of the re-opening of the state, many Boston area historical sites and museums are also re-opening.

With Boston tourism down, and crowds still small in size, now may be a great time to reacquaint yourself with some of the most significant sites in U.S. history.

The Boston Tea Party Ship and Museum is scheduled to open on July 16, 2020, and offers an educational visit that is also fun and interactive for all ages. To refresh your American his-

tory, The Boston Tea Party took place on Dec. 16, 1773, when the American Colonists decided to retaliate against the severe tea tax that had been implemented by King George. Members of the Sons of Liberty disguised as Mohawk Indians boarded three ships from the British East India Tea Company, and dumped over 92,000 pounds of tea into Boston Harbor.

This was arguably the most important event that led to the start of the American Revolution, and this historical event can be revisited today at The Boston Tea Party Ship and Museum, located at 306 Congress St. in Boston.

The Boston Tea Party Museum promises a fun experience with a mixture of historical exhibits, live actors and a full scale replica of an 18th century vessel.

Your ticket "back in time" starts in 1773 at a "Town Meeting" with Samuel Adams.

After joining the Sons of Liberty, you can experience the throwing of the tea into the harbor aboard the 18th century sailing vessel.

Then, take part in the "Day After" debate, discussing the ramifications of the Tea Party, with points of view from both the Patriots and the Loyalist sides.

Explore the historical artifacts of the museum, including the only known surviving tea chest from the 1773 Boston tea Party.

End your experience viewing the short documentary film depicting Paul Revere's famous "Midnight Ride" and the beginning of the American Revolution.

When you return back to present time, enjoy a bite to eat with a waterfront view from Abigail's Tea Room, or shop for your own bit of history from the Museum Gift Shop.

For a safe re-opening, The Boston Tea Party Museum will

be working under guidelines set by the CDC and the State of Massachusetts.

These guidelines include the requirement of face masks to be worn by all staff, cast members, and guests.

Plans to follow proper social distancing include the use of distance indicators, arrows and signage throughout the museum, and tour sizes will be reduced in accordance with state recommendations.

Advanced electrostatic disinfecting and cleaning will be performed frequently throughout the premises, and the additions of hand sanitizer stations, as well as hands free soap and paper towel dispensers will be available for use by all guests.

Guideline changes also apply to the Museum Gift Shop and Abigail's Tea Room.

Along with thorough and frequent cleaning and disinfecting, the gift shop will limit the number of patrons in the shop

at one time to ensure social distancing.

The Tea Room's dining room has been reconfigured to allow six feet of social distancing, and all food will be prepared on a take out style platform.

The recent COVID-19 restrictions have caused many of us to stay cooped up at home for months, as well as adversely affected our state's economy and tourism industry.

Now that some restrictions have been lifted, and historical sites and museums are beginning to open, take the opportunity to support local Massachusetts tourism and get the family out for a day of education and fun while safely staying within recommended safety guidelines.

For a full list of COVID-19 safety regulations and guidelines, and information on how to purchase tickets for the Boston Tea Party Museum, visit [www.bostonteapartyship.com](http://www.bostonteapartyship.com).

## Keep cool along the Maine Ice Cream Trail

By **PAIGE IMPINK**  
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July is national ice cream month, so what better excuse is needed to get out and enjoy some cold treats? As travel these days is a bit more of a thoughtful process, and destination day tripping is limited by what may be open, more food places are adapting and service at take out windows is increasing.

What better time to combine all the best aspects of a road trip in New England than to embark on the Maine Ice Cream Trail. A group of friends and foodies in Maine collaborated to create a website which lists 343 ice cream stops in Vacationland, as Maine is known. While it serves as a marketing tool for small businesses, the trail is an inspired idea to introduce visitors to some of the hid-

den ice cream stand gems of the state as well as list some solid old dairy bar standbys, gelato shops, and everything in between.

The trail is divided into regions and includes an interactive map. Perhaps you are a Dairy Queen aficionado, prefer sherbet, or maybe you've wanted to try Maine frozen custard. The ice cream trail group has a public Facebook page and updates the status of Maine's ice cream stands and shops as they (mostly) survive the pandemic.

Sadly, a few have not, so please call ahead to be sure all places on your route are operational. And please bring your mask.

Some of the special ice cream flavors to be found in Maine include wild Maine blueberry and lobster ice cream. According to the International Dairy Foods Association, vanilla is still the top flavor in the

United States, with chocolate, cookies 'n cream, mint chocolate chip and chocolate chip cookie dough rounding out the top five.

However, there are gourmet flavors that are trending including more savory flavors such as sea salt, avocado, lavender, basil, and green tea, and flavor combinations which are pairings of salty and sweet such as those made with Maine-only Needham candies (I won't give away the secret ingredient). Ice creams with all natural ingredients are also increasing in popularity.

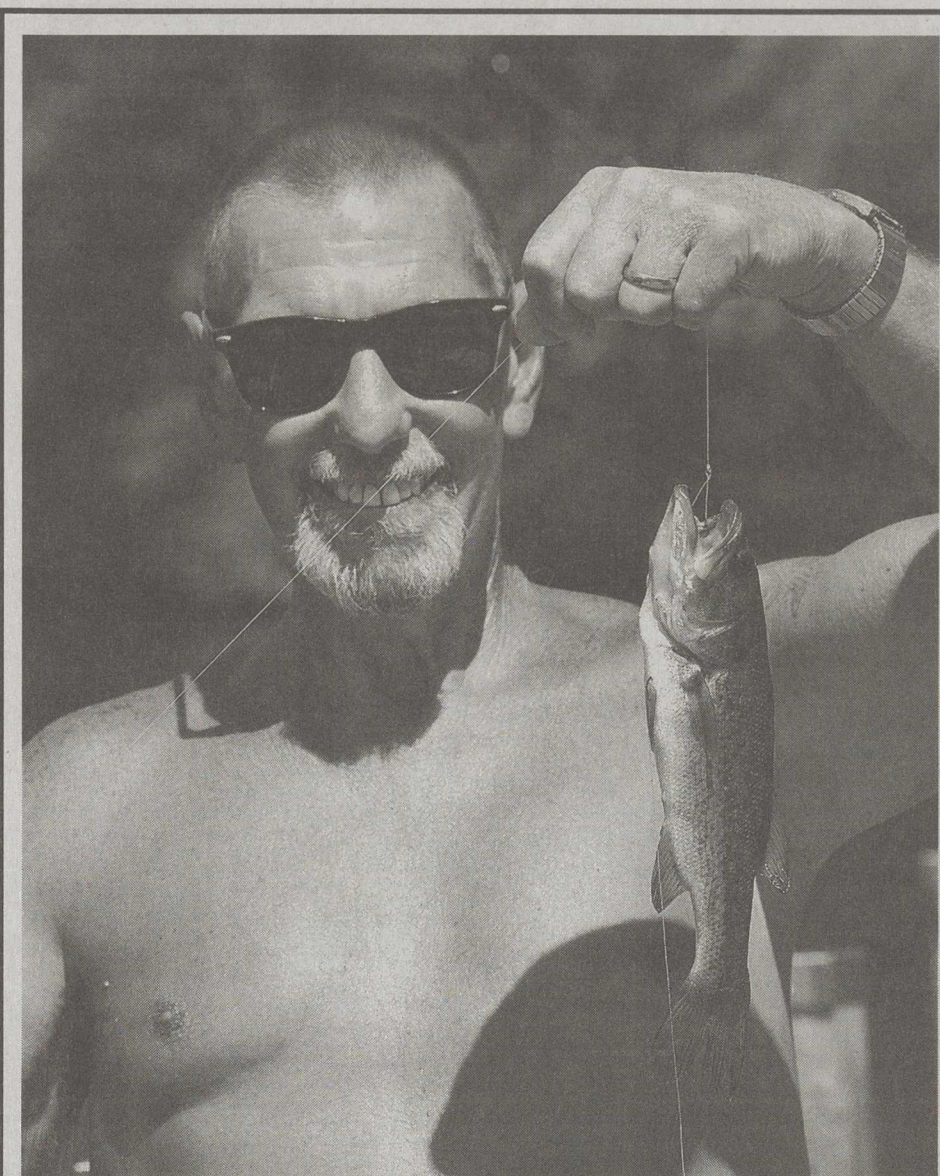
So, sit down and plan out your own ice cream trail adventure using the [www.maineicecreamtrail.com](http://www.maineicecreamtrail.com) website. You'll get a break from being in the house, support small businesses, and the best part is you can explore the great State of Maine in a whole new way.



▲ Try some new flavors as you travel the ice cream trail in Maine!

(Paige Impink photo)





## You should've seen the one that got away...

Mayor Wayne finally lands a whopper at Silver Lake.

(photo: BruceHilliard.com)

## Ways to take care of your mental health during COVID-19 pandemic

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Mental Health suggests to "connect with loved ones and others who may be experiencing stress about the outbreak. Talk about your feelings and enjoy conversation unrelated to the outbreak."

A good tip for all, as hard as it is, is to take breaks from social media, or step away from the news. With the current political and social climate, it can be mentally exhausting to spend the day scrolling through Twitter and Instagram, to debate and argue on Facebook, or to constantly watch the news and COVID-19 numbers rising.

As important as it is to keep ourselves updated and informed, taking a step back and taking a breath can do wonders. The Suicide Prevention Hotline states that "limiting media consumption" will help decrease "emotional distress."

Additionally, take this time to take up a new hobby, or spend time on something you enjoy.

Whether you meditate, paint, or tend to a garden, a hobby is a great way to clear your mind of stress and pass the time.

Make sure you maintain a healthy diet and sleep schedule, and exercise. The Suicide Prevention Hotline emphasizes the importance of "staying" active. Make sure to get enough sleep and rest. Stay hydrated and avoid excessive amounts of caffeine or alcohol. Eat healthy foods when possible.

Good resources for mental health assistance are the Network of Care Massachusetts website, which lists updated services in the Massachusetts area for all ages. Additionally, Mass.gov has a section of its website dedicated to mental health through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Some of the many mental health clinics in Tewksbury include Lahey Behavioral Health Services, Tewksbury Mental Health Associates, New Beginnings Counseling Center, Torres-Vega Counseling LLC and the

Northeast Center For Life Management.

Mass.gov gives two hotlines for mental health resources. Massachusetts 2-1-1, which can be reached through either the phone (211), or their website. And MassSupport, which offers free COVID-19 counseling and support. They can be reached via phone (1-888-215-4920), email, (MassSupport@riversidecc.org) or the MassSupport website.

The Suicide Prevention Hotline is open 24/7 at the phone number (1-800-273-8255). Additionally, the national Disaster Distress Helpline is available to anyone experiencing emotional distress related to COVID-19. To reach them, you can check their website, call 1-800-985-5990 or text TalkWithUs to 66746.

Even though we may be physically far away, and the reopening process is slow, it is important to remember that you are never alone, and that there are people and resources that will help get us through these times together.

## Be ready for bad weather

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require evacuation, there are things around the home that can mitigate damage. Secure outdoor furniture by either tying it down or moving to a lower level. Shade canopies should be collapsed. Collect yard toys, planter pots, or other items that could go airborne and cause damage to your home or someone else's.

Check that downspouts and drains are clear and focused away from your foundation if possible, to limit

the effects of a deluge. A few minutes of preparation ahead of a severe weather event could save hours or days and many dollars of damage and headache.

If there is a need for emergency information during a disaster, the state's 211 central call center to share shelter information, donation information and learn about disaster assistance.

For more tips and additional information, visit <https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/05/19/2020-hurricane-preparedness-tips>.

## Book describes "brothers in the jungle and in life"

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inspiration behind the creation of *The Gunner and the Grunt* lies primarily in his friendship with Burbank. Described by Kelley as "brothers in the jungle and brothers in life," the two met after training, serving as part of the cavalry division. Kelley found that their unusual story of friendship, spanning from the Vietnam War back to post-war life in New England, gave him a unique perspective worthy of discussion.

Looking at another influential relationship in his life, Kelley's connection to his sister Joan Kelley, who served in Vietnam as well as a nurse, retiring as a colonel after 20 years of service, was also a key influence in the book's creation. According to Kelley, it was believed that they were among the only brother/sister officers, adding to the uniqueness of the story.

An additional focal point in the book centers around the early Civil Rights Movement. After joining the service in 1964, shortly after the passage of the Civil Rights Act, Kelley was stationed in the South. His

time there allowed him to see the aftermath of the Civil Rights Act, especially in the context of race relations within the army itself.

Overall, *The Gunner and the Grunt* provides readers with a unique view into the Vietnam War, focusing on influential relationships as well as greater social change in society as key discussion points.

After finishing the book, he went about publishing the book through a local publishing company based in Lowell. To help with the process, he hired a freelance cover designer, and a graduate from Columbia to act as a freelance editor. They are currently in the process of courting a larger publishing company, in order to increase the book's distribution and overall reach.

*The Gunner and the Grunt* will soon be available for check-out at the Tewksbury Public Library. After the current COVID-19 pandemic slows, Kelley says there are plans in the works for a discussion and book-signing event at the library.

To purchase *The Gunner and the Grunt*, contact Kelley directly by phone at 978-851-3792.

## Residents allowed to vote by mail this fall

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you may register online at [www.sec.state.ma.us/OVR/](http://www.sec.state.ma.us/OVR/). Voters who cannot register online are encouraged to reach out to the town clerk's office at 978-640-4355 (Tewksbury) or (978) 658-2030 (Wilmington).

Prior to each election day, a ballot will be sent to the homes of those who have returned their applications. Voters must follow the instructions to complete their ballots and return it in time to town hall. In-person voting on

election day is still available for those who do not wish to vote by mail; however, once you have voted by mail, you cannot vote again.

Additionally, in-person early voting has been extended for the first time. Voters may cast a ballot at town hall early for the state primary from Aug. 22 to 28, and for the general election from Oct. 17 to 30.

For more information, voters may visit [www.MailMyBallotMA.com](http://www.MailMyBallotMA.com) or call Secretary Galvin's office at 1-800-462-8683.

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#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
TREE WARDEN

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws (MGL), Chapter 87, Public Shade Tree Law, Section 3 (Cutting of Public Shade Trees; Hearing; Damages), the Town of Tewksbury Tree Warden will hold a Public Hearing regarding the removal of public shade trees on **Thursday, July 30, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Tewksbury DPW, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA. Any person interested or wishing to be heard on this matter should appear at the time and place designated or submit a written objection with your name and address prior to the date and time listed.

The location of town trees affected include: (1) Oak at 208 Patten Road, (4) Pines at 429 River Road and (2) Oaks at 999 Whipple Street.

For further information regarding location, size and species of the affected trees, is available weekdays at the Department of Public Works, Town Hall and Library during normal business hours; and on the Town's website [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov).

Brian Gilbert  
Superintendent  
of Public Works  
200697 7/15,22/20

#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **July 30, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Russell and Jennifer Shpritzer** for a variance from Section 4130, Appendix B for rear yard setbacks, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 10' x 16' deck as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **64 Jefferson Road**, Assessor's Map 18, Lot 30, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov). Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Robert Dugan, Chairman  
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#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **July 30, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Anthony and Danielle Bresnahan** for a variance from Section 4130, Appendix B for side yard setbacks, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 10' x 12' mudroom as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **14 Champion Street**, Assessor's Map 57, Lot 42, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov). Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Robert Dugan, Chairman  
200689 7/15,22/20

#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **July 30, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Ann Marie Cambio** for a variance from Section 4130, Appendix B for side yard setbacks, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 10' x 10' bathroom addition as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **6 Jay Street**, Assessor's Map 60, Lot 19, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov). Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Robert Dugan, Chairman  
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#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on August 4, 2020 at 7:40 p.m. in the Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Site Plan Review #20-06 and Stormwater Management Permit #20-06, plan entitled, "296 & 330 Ballardvale St., Wilmington, MA, prepared for Monogram Gourmet Foods, LLC", dated July 9, 2020, prepared by John P. Judd, P.E., Gateway Consultants, Inc., PO Box 6085, Gloucester, MA 01930, for the property located at 296 Ballardvale Street and shown on Assessor's Map R3 Parcel 29C. The proposed project is to pave and stripe a parking area for the abutting 330 Ballardvale Street site.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Department of Planning & Conservation and is available electronically and may be requested by calling 978-658-8238 or emailing the Assistant Planner, Sierra Pelletier, at [spelletier@wilmingtonma.gov](mailto:spelletier@wilmingtonma.gov) during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Any person interested, or wishing to be heard on the proposed plan, should appear at the time and place designated.

Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
200700 7/15,22/20

#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF TEWKSBURY  
BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Board of Appeals will hold a virtual public hearing on **July 30, 2020 at 6:30 P.M.** on an application filed by **Jason Scherri** for a special permit under Section 3651, of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct a 43' x 23' garage addition as shown on plans filed with this Board. The hearing will be conducted via WebEx and will be available for viewing on the following cable public access channels: Verizon Channel 33 and Comcast Channel 99. The public will be able to participate by calling 978-771-0819.

Said property is located at **477 Main Street**, Assessor's Map 22, Lot 91, zoned Commercial.

The application may be examined on the Zoning Board of Appeals webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at [www.tewksbury-ma.gov](http://www.tewksbury-ma.gov). Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on [www.masspublicnotices.org](http://www.masspublicnotices.org).

Robert Dugan, Chairman  
200687 7/15,22/20

#### LEGAL NOTICE



TOWN OF WILMINGTON  
PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on August 4, 2020 at 7:45 p.m. in the Town Hall, Room 9, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA for a Parking Relief Special Permit #20-03, plan entitled, "Site Plan Review Documents, Gerrity Stone, 100 Eames Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887", dated March 12, 2020 and last revised July 6, 2020, prepared by Patrick J. McCarty, P.E., McCarty Engineering, Inc., 42 Jungle Road, Leominster, MA 01435, and Gregory R. Corcoran, P.L.S., Dana F. Perkins, 1057 East Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876, for the property located at 100 Eames Street and shown on Assessor's Map 38 Parcels 4 & 4C. The applicant seeks to reduce the number of required parking spaces for the proposed redevelopment project.

A copy of the plan is on file at the Department of Planning & Conservation and is available electronically and may be requested by calling 978-658-8238 or emailing the Assistant Planner, Sierra Pelletier, at [spelletier@wilmingtonma.gov](mailto:spelletier@wilmingtonma.gov) during the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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Michael Sorrentino, Chair  
Wilmington Planning Board  
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### Public Notices

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▲ Friends and Family celebrate. Morgan Breen, James DeFeo, Reegan Noble, Lana Hall, Mackenzie Canning, Gianna Walsh, Caitlyn George, Katie Manjourides, Aiyana Noel, Ava Noble, Alexa Noble, Jenny Hebert, and Sophia Bavota.

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▲ Mackenzie Canning and Reegan Noble.



▲ Aiyana Noel, Mackenzie Canning, Gianna Walsh, Olivia Walsh, Lana Hall, and Sophia Bavota.

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▲ James DeFeo with Reegan Noble.

## Wilmington resident honored with drive-by parade

WILMINGTON — On Aug. 9 of 2019, Reegan Noble was diagnosed with Stage III Ana-Plastic Large Cell Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma when she was 14 years old.

It was very unexpected and shocking news especially because we had just returned home from vacation. She started her care at Mass General Hospital and with that came trips every three weeks to the hospital, and the dreaded hair loss.

In September of 2019 I (Morgan Breen, 22 years old, oldest sibling) planned a fundraiser to up her spirits and to raise money for my family to help with her treatments and whatever else she wanted/needed to brighten her spirits during this horrific time.

The fundraiser was an ab-

solute success. The whole Town of Wilmington came to show support and we ended up raising shy of \$20,000. October of 2019 we got the news she was already in remission. She continued her weekly chemo treatments throughout the winter/early summer and July 17, 2020 was her last chemo treatment. On August 14 she is scheduled to have her final scans to ensure she is now cancer free.

To celebrate I organized a surprise party and a drive-by open to the Wilmington community and it couldn't have been more successful. Reegan got to celebrate her accomplishment with family and friends while the Wilmington community stood by her.

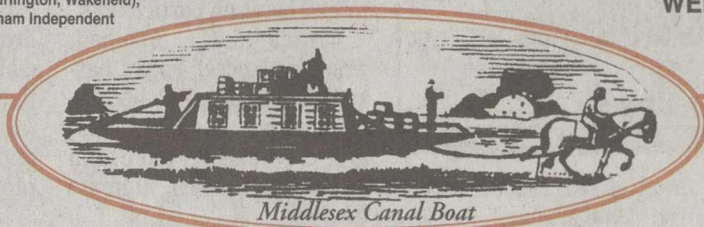
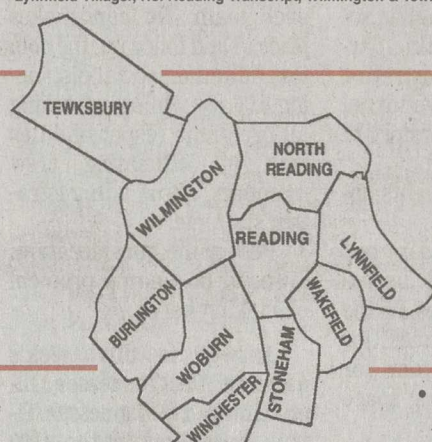
From the bottom of our hearts, we all thank you.





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## After years of expansion Boys and Girls Club of Stoneham and Wakefield looks to build new clubhouse

BY PAT BLAIS

Less than a decade ago, Stoneham's local Boys & Girls Club, seeing membership and programming decline as the bedroom community's population grew older and grayer, jumped off the literal and figurative deep-end in the hopes of making some splashes aimed at boosting membership.

In one of those gambles, leaders from the non-profit risked quite a bit of fortune on a hard-to-refuse offer to take over the Hall Memorial Pool grounds off of North Border Road in 2014. The arrangement entailed a first of its kind partnership between the youth organization and the Mass. Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), which due to financial cutbacks, had struggled in the two years prior to keep the outdoor pool and wading park by Spot Pond operational.

That public-private arrangement, made permanent after a one-year trial run, was proceeded just a year earlier by yet another huge decision: To expand the club's reach to include neighboring Wakefield's children and teens.

It's now a full seven years after the first of those major moves, which resulted in the rebranding of the non-profit as the Boys & Girls Club of Stoneham and Wakefield. And according to Adam Rodgers, the club's chief executive officer, he and other managers can't scoop up buildings quick enough to keep pace with growth.

Last month, citizens at Stoneham Town Meeting learned the local non-profit is eyeing its biggest expansion yet: The reconstruction of the Boys & Girls Club's longtime headquarters off of Dale Court by Recreation Park.

Seeking a zoning amendment to be sure the 50-year-old building can be rebuilt by the edge of one of the community's largest public parks, Rodgers made clear club officials are in the beginning stages of the planned rebuilding initiative. But after daring to take some big chances nearly a decade ago, Boys & Girls Club officials are more than willing to dream big yet again.

"We're serving more kids than we have in the past 20 years," said Rodgers in a recent interview. "It's been a real period of growth for the club. From a budgetary standpoint, we're four times bigger than we were even five-years ago."

"We're still very much in the early stages, but that building we're in is coming up on its 50th anniversary. Our board has been looking into building a new clubhouse on that same location over the next few years," said the non-profit CEO.

Ignoring recent decreases in participation due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which resulted in a months-long closure of club facilities and further curtailed current operations at 50 percent capacity, the Boys and Girls Club of Stoneham and Wakefield now has roughly 1,200 full-blown members. According to club officials, besides those regulars, at least 5,000 children from both communities participate in at least one of the non-profits various programs each year.

Renting out the first floor gymnasium of Wakefield's Americal Civic Center, club officials have recently established a new teen center in the same downtown section of Main Street in the neighboring town. The club is also eyeing the conversation of the former Molise Restaurant, located

just across the street from its main building in Wakefield Center for other youth initiatives.

The organization has also retrofitted the Hall Memorial Pool area by Friendly's Restaurant in Stoneham to include a brand new splash park, which opened in the summer of 2018. For a state-run pool facility that was reportedly hemorrhaging cash and nearly 25,000 gallons of water a day, the outdoor swimming grounds has generated untold programming opportunities for the youth organization, which initially had to raise \$80,000 a year in private donations to offset property maintenance costs.

Also eyeing a new teen center in Stoneham, Rodgers and club officials had hoped a year ago to occupy a vacant bank across from the old Stoneham Middle School grounds on Central Street.

In a setback, that deal fell through, but according to Rodgers, club officials are now hopefully months away from finalizing a new arrangement to lease out space at the All Saints Episcopal Church off of Central Street for the teen center.

Once those second teen center space plans are finalized, the Boys & Girls Club will focus more heavily on the Dale Street rebuilding plan, which would replace the current 12,000 square foot property with a comparably-sized structure.

At a minimum, Rodgers envisions the new space being equipped with a state-of-the-art computer room and some renovated outdoor amenities by the public park. He also sees plenty of chances to create new programs for youths,



THE MAIN CLUB HOUSE OF BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB IN STONEHAM located at 15 Dale Court will hopefully be the site of a new and improved facility in the coming years.

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## Movie Reviews & Box Office News

'Fatal Attraction' in 2020 is called 'Fatal Affair'

By MARK KENNEDY  
AP Entertainment  
Writer

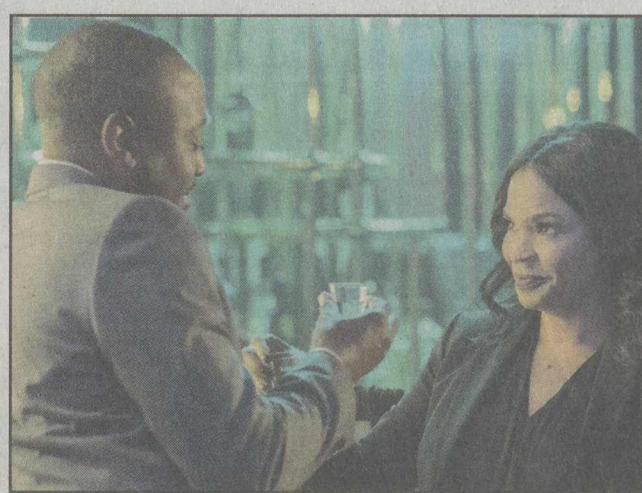
If you're of a certain age, much of the new Netflix thriller "Fatal Affair" will be very familiar. That's because it's really just a diluted retelling of another, similarly named film — 1987's "Fatal Attraction."

Weirdly, that doesn't mean this one — reuniting Omar Epps and Nia Long — isn't worth microwaving a bucket of popcorn and connecting to Netflix when the kids are asleep. It's actually a bit of a romp, even if the filmmakers didn't intend that. This is a thriller that feels safe the second time around. You can even enjoy it with the sound off.

Both films share similar DNA — a middle-aged and wealthy but slightly bored spouse has a fling and then that lover goes on a full-on psychopathic rampage until one of them has to die. In 1987, Glenn Close was the spurned lover and Michael Douglas was the cheater.

"Fatal Affair" scrambles the deck, but not by much. Long stars as a well-to-do lawyer in a luxurious beachside property outside San Francisco who is stalked by an unstable acquaintance from her college days, played by Epps.

"I do have the perfect life, the perfect husband, the perfect daughter, the perfect home," Long's Ellie tells Epp's character David when they have a few too many drinks after work one night.



FATAL FLAWS - Nia Long, right, and Omar Epps in a scene from the Netflix film "Fatal Affair." (Beth Dubber/Netflix via AP)

(Too bad she's not in a perfect film.)

David, who crushed on Ellie 20 years ago, is still smitten and probes a weakness in his prey. "You deserve to be with a man who appreciates you," he tells her.

They make out in one of those dimly lit, beautifully appointed empty and clean nightclub bathrooms that only appear in movies. She suddenly pulls away and goes home. That's it. ("Affair" in the title is kind of a stretch.) He starts a slow boil to Crazytown, but thankfully this time there's no bunny in the pot.

The second half of the film is the familiar chasing down of his obsession — outwitting caller ID, the peeping and blackmailing, the nasty unexpected dinner show-up, the turning her best friend against her. But director Peter Sullivan doesn't have his heart set on a white-knuckle thriller. He is more happy with a Lifetime film.

Sullivan — who also co-wrote the script with Rasheeda Garner — likes surface beauty more than internal strife. He offers lazy, hazy editing you'd come to expect from a daytime movie, filled with pretty people alone, deep in thought, then sighing and turning toward home, a determined expression on their faces. Waves crashing on the shore are a motif. (Drink whenever you see 'em).

This is a world of the insular rich, where very nice kitchen knives in a very nice wood block are going to be used in ways their German makers never intended. It's a world of big fluffy beds in mansions and where an Audi with Ellie in the driver's seat slowly follows a Lexus piloted by David through San Francisco.

"Fatal Affair," a Netflix release, is rated TV-14 for sex and language. Running time: 89 minutes. One star out of four.



• **MIDDLESEX EAST SPORTS WEEKLY TRIVIA:** Prior to the Washington Redskins changing their nickname this week, what was the last NFL team to do the same?

Answer appears below:

Newport Collegiate Baseball League came together fast

In early May, the New England Collegiate Baseball League made the decision to cancel the 2020 season because of COVID-19. The safety of all was paramount, and proper planning could not be completed leading up to the season — nor would they be able to start on-time. The cancellation was an especially tough for the league's student-athletes who saw their collegiate season abruptly end because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

However, thanks to the state of Rhode Island moving into its reopening Phase III, this allowed for the return of baseball so the Newport Collegiate Baseball League (NCBL) was quickly formed and play began last week (July 10) at Cardines Field. The league will be very similar to the NECBL, featuring some of the best collegiate players the country has to offer. However, all of these talented ballplayers will hail from New England, commuting to games rather than living with local host families. The NCBL will consist of four teams competing in an 18-game schedule, and all will be played at America's Oldest Ballpark — Cardines Field.

The absence of host families will not be the only difference for the NCBL as strict playing guidelines will need to be followed. Some of these



## Athletes & Activities

By: Steve Algeri

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guidelines include players being tested prior gaining acceptance to the league, the requirement of masks to be worn by select positions, and everyone's temperatures will be taken prior entering the stadium. A local cleaning company has been hired to sanitize the stadium on a regular basis. Cleaning will be done before and after each game by NCBL employees and volunteers. Insurance has been acquired that meets the City of Newport's standards and waivers will be signed by players acknowledging the adherence of the league's entire list of guidelines.

Locally, Reading's WILL McFADDEN (UMass) and PAT JORDAN (Westfield State) are pitchers on the White team. McFadden pitched two scoreless innings allowing one bloop double while striking out three on Sunday night.

#### Standards for sports & recreational activities

In Massachusetts Phase III, Step 1, youth and adult amateur sports and other recreational activities are allowed to play subject to the limitations set forth below.

The ability to participate in sports and recreation activities is determined by a combination of (1) risk of transmission of COVID-19 inherent in the sport or recreation activity itself and (2)

level of risk associated with the "Type of Play."

Risk Level: Sports and recreation activities are categorized as "Lower Risk," "Moderate Risk," and "Higher Risk."

Lower Risk sports and recreation activities are characterized by: • Sports or activities that can be done with social distancing • Sports or activities that can be done individually

Examples: Batting cages, tennis, pickleball, swimming, catch, disc golf, golf, individual biking, surfing, horseback riding, individual sailing, fishing, hunting, motor sports, yoga & no contact exercise classes, gymnastics

Moderate Risk sports and recreation activities are characterized by:

• Sports or activities that involve intermittent contact, but with protective equipment or mitigating measures in place that may reduce the likelihood of respiratory particle transmission between participants (e.g., wearing masks, modifying play)

Examples: Baseball, softball, crew/sailing (2-3 people in a boat), track and field, cross country, running clubs, team swimming, volleyball, dance class, fencing, field hockey, no-contact lacrosse

Higher Risk sports and recreation activities are characterized by:

• Sports that involve close, sustained contact between

participants, lack of significant protective barriers, and high probability that respiratory particles will be transmitted between participants.

Examples: Football, wrestling, soccer, rugby, basketball, lacrosse, ice-hockey, competitive cheer, martial arts, crew/sailing (more than 3 people in a boat), ultimate frisbee.

#### National Federation of High Schools (NFHS) has proposals for football games

In support of the NFHS Guidance for Opening Up High School Athletics and Activities, the NFHS Football Editorial Committee came up with a document for state associations to consider whether any possible rules could be altered for the 2020

football season.

The considerations outlined in this document are meant to decrease potential exposure to respiratory droplets by encouraging social distancing, limiting participation in administrative tasks to essential personnel and allowing for appropriate protective equipment.

Among its highlights include:

**Team Box:** The team box on the sideline may be extended on both sides of the field to the 10-yard lines (for players only) in order for more social-distancing space for teams.

**Ball:** The ball should be cleaned and sanitized throughout the contest as recommended by the ball manufacturer. The ball holders should maintain social dis-

tancing of 6 feet at all times during the contest.

**Coin toss:** Limit attendees to the referee, the umpire and one designated captain from each team. No handshakes prior to and following the coin toss. Maintain social distancing of 6 feet while performing all pre-game responsibilities with all officiating crew members, game administration staff, etc.

**Post-game consideration:** Suspend post-game protocol of shaking hands.

**Answer to this week's question:** The Tennessee Oilers changed to Tennessee Titans beginning in the 1999 season.

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## Executive Director • Reading Housing Authority

The Reading (MA) Housing Authority is seeking highly qualified and experienced applicants for the position of Executive Director. The Executive Director is responsible for the management of 80 State Chapter 667 public housing units, 10 units of state family housing, 8 units of special needs housing, 125 Federal Housing Choice voucher units and 17 RHA-Owned units to manage. The candidate must be familiar with both Commonwealth of Massachusetts Housing (DHCD) Requirements and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Federal Housing Programs.

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## Club from page B-1

as the current Dale Court facility is equipped with outdated facilities like locker room areas that are rarely used.

"Any new building would need community support and fundraising, but we don't have a final cost or plans yet," said the CEO. "It's an exciting time. We're really so much stronger by serving two communities."

Under Article 5 of Stoneham's recent Town Meeting, which due to the COVID-19 crisis was delayed from May to late June, citizens agreed to change Stoneham's zoning code to specify that non-profit organizations can pursue building projects within open space and parkland districts.

According to local attor-

ney Charles Houghton, representing the Stoneham/Wakefield Boys & Girls Club, he was retained last fall in order to help the organization advance a proposal to demolish and rebuild its Dale Court headquarters, which are now roughly a half-century old.

During the course of his work, which included a request to write a legal opinion regarding whether such a pursuit was viable under existing zoning laws, Houghton stumbled across a confusing reference to the construction and use of structures as being allowed by special permit for "not-for-profit expositions".

Unable to say for sure what the term means, Houghton suggested the Boys & Girls Club could likely experience issues obtaining a bank loan to move

ahead with the ambitious rebuilding project. Rather than risk such a funding rejection — on the basis that permits could be subjected to a legal challenge — Houghton met with the Planning Board in December to seek an amendment to the zoning language.

"I looked at the word and thought to myself, other than for something like the World's Fair, I have no idea what that word means," he recalled. "So [this proposal] is tidying up a bylaw that passed 50-years-ago."

With the new language including multiple checks to ensure oversight of such projects, including site plan and special permit application requirements, the Town Meeting measure easily obtained the two-thirds majority needed to pass.

## HomeNewsHere RECIPE



**FOOD IN A FLASH** - Dinner ready in 15 minutes! Enjoy this pasta and chicken salad served with watermelon wedges.

### STEPS

1. Cook and drain pasta as directed on package. Rinse with cold water; drain.
2. In large bowl, mix pasta, chicken, grapes and onions. In small bowl, mix mayonnaise, milk, mustard and salt; stir into pasta mixture.
3. To serve, place 3 water-

melon wedges on each of 6 dinner plates. Divide salad evenly among watermelon wedges. Sprinkle with almonds.

### EXPERT TIPS

The pasta salad can be made ahead and refrigerated. Arrange watermelon wedges with the salad just before serving.

## PASTA-CHICKEN SALAD ON WATERMELON WEDGES

### Ingredients

- 1-1/2 cups uncooked mini penne pasta or other small pasta (about 6 oz)
- 2 cups cut-up cooked chicken breast
- 1 cup red grapes, cut in half
- 8 medium green onions, sliced (1/2 cup)
- 3/4 cup reduced-calorie mayonnaise or salad dressing
- 3 tablespoons fat-free (skim) milk
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 12 watermelon wedges, 1 inch thick
- 1/4cup sliced almonds, toasted\*

## • Real Estate Transfers •

### BURLINGTON

3 Austin St was sold to Baer, Samuel A and Shainess, Jennifer L by Disipio, Deanna for \$635,000 on 07/02/20

9 Edgemont Ave was sold to Murray, Rian and Murray, Joanna by Spinosa, Lawrence F for \$587,500 on 07/02/20

8 Hallmark Gdns #9 was sold to Balek, Gregory J by Pawar, Nintin for \$329,000 on 06/30/20

2 Sheighla Dr was sold to Davidson, Craig W and Davidson, Kimie by Feldman, David M by Bleich, Lauren M for \$1,115,000 on 07/03/20

### NORTH READING

340 Haverhill St was sold to Dibenedetto, Paul R and Dibenedetto, Kathleen L by Janet M Halloran T and Halloran, Janet M for \$595,000 on 07/03/20

9 Janice Ave was sold to Soper, Peter J and Soper, Tammy L by Stephen T Deangelis RET and Deangelis, Stephen T for \$1,550,000 on 07/01/20

4 Larch Rd was sold to Smith Son Plumbing&Heatng by HB Development Corp for \$330,000 on 07/02/20

33 Lindor Rd was sold to Mullin, Michael J and Mullin, Caitlin M by Zimmerman, Mark and Zimmerman, Tracy for \$675,000 on 06/30/20

42 Lowell Rd was sold to Desai, Nandish and Dodwadkar, Namita by Capiz-Felicia, Carlo and Racelis-Felicia, for \$720,000 on 06/30/20

### READING

Lenetta Ln #6 was sold to Lenetta RT and Cronin, Christopher B by Smithney, Robert C and Smithney, Claire V for \$800,000 on 06/30/20

637 Pearl St was sold to Harrison-Smith, Steven and Smith, Caroline M by Pendexter, Carleton G for \$608,000 on 06/30/20

1 Pennsylvania Ave was sold to Pounds, Tyler and Pounds, Caroline by Blumenshine, Joshua P and Blumenshine, Sarah J for \$680,000 on 07/02/20

1 Summit Dr #124 was sold to Lucca, Allison and Guirguis, Maria A for \$296,000 on 07/01/20

33 Wescroft Rd was sold to Whalen, Nicholas and Whalen, Shruthi by Piasecki, Diana for \$672,000 on 06/29/20

22 Whittier Rd was sold to Buckley, Kristin and Buckley, Michael P by Sides, Scott B for \$730,000 on 06/30/20

### STONEHAM

25 Fellsmere Ave was sold to Hodlin, Brian by Correiro, Valerie A and Ponziano, David for \$575,000 on 06/30/20

88 Hancock St #88 was sold to Truong-Marchetto, Nicole and Truong-Marchetto, Lisa by Pashkoff, Vanessa A and Smith, Alexander M for \$480,000 on 07/02/20

569 Main St was sold to Hayward, Casey C by Soderquist, Roy F and Soderquist, Deborah H for \$560,000 on 07/02/20

4 Nixon Ln #4 was sold to Madden, Erin by Tran, Binh T for \$305,000 on 06/30/20

29 Stevens St was sold to Dever, Shaun R and Katz, Jennifer A by Marilyn Jackson FT and Jackson, Douglas for \$475,000 on 06/29/20

8 Vernon Ave was sold to Woodmansee, Matthew and Morgan, Cassidy by Brennan, Daniel and Brennan, Amanda for \$527,000 on 07/01/20

4-A Vinton Ct was sold to Guevara-Contreras, K and Gil-Berrio, Elkin E by Gay, Edward F and Fitzgerald, Michele L for \$416,000 on 07/01/20

### TEWKSBURY

6 Amos St was sold to Loftus, Peter J and Mulrenan, Meghan E by Willette, Tiasha for \$410,000 on 06/30/20

131 Caddy Ct #131 was sold to Lynch, John A and Lynch, Beryl M by Weitz, Kathleen A for \$427,000 on 06/30/20

10 Darby St was sold to White, Rene M by June M Tontodonato RET and Gath, Debra for \$425,000 on 06/29/20

7 Hodgson St was sold to Oneil, Ryan by Johnson, Edward P and Johnson, Eric M for \$389,500 on 07/01/20

360 Main St was sold to Mahmoud, Naser by EPM Properties LLC for \$305,000 on

07/01/20

95 Merrimack Meadows Ln #95 was sold to Gray, Alysson M by Pratt, Jason M and Pratt, Rayne J for \$365,000 on 06/30/20

12 Mulberry Way #12 was sold to Umali, Marijo F and Gorman, Bruce by Favalora Antoinette M and Ward, Melissa for \$399,900 on 07/01/20

230 N Billerica Rd was sold to Vaughan, Laura A and Beach, Kaitlynn by Karki, Nir-mal and Karki, Pratima for \$500,000 on 07/02/20

1 Newton Ave was sold to Powers, Michael E by Cabral, Sonia for \$447,000 on 06/30/20

47 Nichols St was sold to Morrell, Nicole E and McCreedy, William D by Nellson, Thomas C for \$475,000 on 07/02/20

352 Pleasant St was sold to Morrison, Beverly by Gouddou, Rick for \$415,000 on 06/30/20

42 Tanglewood Ave was sold to Orlando, Casey and Kennedy, Paige by Growing Edge Pro LLC for \$450,000 on 07/01/20

7 Yorkshire Dr #7 was sold to Fragoso, Richard L by Hayes, Richard J and Hayes, Paula A for \$563,000 on 07/01/20

### WAKEFIELD

107 Prospect St was sold to 107 Prospect LLC by Tyler RT and Temple-Tyler, Marcia for \$1,100,000 on 06/29/20

158 Salem St was sold to Wakefield Salem Street by Fireheart, Arana for \$610,000 on 07/01/20

37 Salem St was sold to Lussier, Kyle and Lussier, Meghan by North Pole Pro Inv LLC for \$639,000 on 06/29/20

25 Summer St was sold to Orsino, Julianne and Rivera, Emily by Varano, Frederick D Varano, Samantha R for \$585,000 on 06/30/20

### WILMINGTON

4 Kajin Way was sold to Ervin, Benjamin and Malogolowkin, Julianna by Soper, Peter J and Soper, Tammy L for \$899,900 on 07/02/20

10 Manning St was sold to Kenney, Sean and Castrucci, Kerry by Grill Christine L Est and Grill, Robert F for \$436,000 on 07/02/20

434 Middlesex Ave was sold to Merritt, Jordan and Merritt, Sydney by Lynch, John A and Lynch, Beryl A for \$680,000 on 06/30/20

502 Pouliot Pl was sold to Bagnera, Christina and Bagnera, Tanya by McCabe, Michael and McCabe, Danielle for \$405,000 on 06/29/20

7 Wakefield Ave was sold to McCabe, Danielle and McCabe, Michael by Merritt, Jordan and Merritt, Sydney for \$610,000 on 06/29/20

10 Washington Ave was sold to Corbett, Justin D and Corbett, Amanda C by Murphy, Joseph R and Murphy, Carolyn A for \$665,000 on 06/29/20

12 Wedgewood Ave was sold to Turner-Hayes, Timothy by Morrison, Beverly J for \$570,000 on 06/30/20

### WINCHESTER

15 Bonad Rd was sold to Harris, Nathan W and Harris, Jennifer G by Poirier, Jodie and Poirier, Gregory for \$999,000 on 06/29/20

6 Brookside Ave #6 was sold to Wang, Xin and Tan, Kang by Fieleke, Eric for \$995,000 on 06/30/20

22 Everett Ave was sold to Ward, Scott M and Goldberg, Ingrid by McDowell, Sean M and McDowell, Patricia K for \$2,905,000 on 06/30/20

10 Harrison St was sold to McDowell, Sean M by McDowell, Patricia K by Steven D Boulanger RET and Boulanger, Steven D for \$2,282,500 on 07/01/20

Loring Ave #4 was sold to HCR Construction Inc by Loring Avenue T and Fadden, Keith L for \$690,000 on 06/29/20

18 Myrtle St #18 was sold to Halter, Elizabeth C by Korpai, Manav and Socha, Katarzyna for \$647,500 on 06/30/20

### WOBURN

44 Ashburton Ave was sold to Desalvo, Carl S and Desalvo, Conceicao by Desalvo RT and Desalvo, Fern Tfor \$425,000 on 06/30/20

18 Beacon St #18 was sold to Li, Feng and Kang, Lihong by Gately Beacon Street LLC for \$751,000 on 06/30/20

269 Cambridge Rd #203 was sold to Gath, Cristina N by Shea, Robert C and Gera, Mi-

randa L for \$330,000 on 07/02/20

10 Canterbury Rd was sold to Hada, Prabin by Clark Robert S Est and Varney, Kathleen A for \$715,000 on 06/30/20

31 Lake Ave was sold to He, Xingbai and Wang, Dahui by Ballotta, Jennifer and Ballotta, William for \$783,000 on 06/30/20

299 Lexington St #44 was sold to Cronin, Michael D and Cronin, Francine by Shannon Farm Dev LLC for \$859,900 on 06/29/20

318 Lexington St was sold to Downes, John F and Downes, Susan by Shannon Farm Estates LLCfor \$1,050,000 on 06/30/20

5 Linden St was sold to Harrington, Michael and Harrington, Christine by Mark&Sharon Harrington and Harrington, Mark E for \$415,000 on 07/01/20

45 Merrimac St #3A was sold to was sold to Bansal, Sandeep and Jain, Puja Rynkowski, Lynn for \$320,000 on 06/29/20

5 Naples Ave was sold to Albany Holdings LLC by Cardaleen Joan F Est and Svenson, Kelly A for \$250,000 on 06/30/20

7 Naples Ave was sold to Beantown Property Grp LLC by Cardaleen Joan F Est and Svenson, Kelly A for \$300,000 on 06/30/20

1 Pilgrim Rd was sold to Aucoin, Cory S by Cudmore, Roy N and Cudmore, Susan S for

\$500,000 on 07/01/20

224 Place Ln #224 was sold to Solomon, Richard and Solomon, Sharon by Quigley, Thomas J for \$395,000 on 06/29/20

25 Richard Cir was sold to Dasilva, Saulo M and Desousa, Stelina A by Burton, Eric and Burton, Laurie E for \$520,000 on 06/30/20

68 School St was sold to Murray FT and Murray, Jerry M by James P Murray IRT and Murray, Jerry M for \$575,000 on 07/01/20

### LYNNFIELD

41 Lakewood Rd was sold to Walsh, Jeffrey and Walsh, Michelle by Gassiraro, Frank M and Gassiraro, Rebecca A for \$655,000 on 06/29/20

111 Locksley Rd was sold to Ward, Ticiane by Phillips, Tina R for \$750,000 on 06/30/20

46 Oak Ridge Ter was sold to Oakridge RT and Odette, Louis J by Pezzella Helen V Est and Pezzella, Carl for \$475,000 on 07/02/20

30 Stillman Rd was sold to Patricia M Macdonald T and Macdonald, Patricia A by Pierce Road LLC for \$1,315,000 on 06/29/20

582 Summer St was sold to Hutchinson, John B by Hutchinson, Ellen A and Hutchinson, John B for \$600,000 on 07/03/20

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## Tewksbury Police Log

### Two men arrested on class B drug charges

Monday, July 13

5:22 p.m. - Group of people parked near the Birchwood Road to go into the wooded area and party. Police sent. They spoke with the kids who had permission to go fishing in the pond on the property; they were not there to go party.

6:55 p.m. - Caller at Salem Road reported a light brown, medium sized dog was in their driveway. Animal Control were notified.

10:53 p.m. - Female caller requested an officer to check on three teens seen on camera walking around the back of Teamsters Local 25. Police sent. All areas were checked and no one found in the area.

Tuesday, July 14

2:19 am - A female claimed she was assaulted about two hours prior by a male party that was at Motel 6. She was reportedly hit in the face and had bruises, and she was currently in Haverhill waiting for a taxi to be taken to Holy Family in Methuen. Due to the circumstances, police approved to ping the phone and get subscriber

information. T-Mobil wasn't able to provide information as it was a pre-paid phone, but they gave the latitude and longitude. Ping was located in Lawrence. Lawrence Police Department performed a check of the residence where the ping was located and nothing was found. Holy Family was contacted and asked to call the station if anyone matching the description arrived at their hospital.

10:39 a.m. - A 911 caller stated a car pulled into their parking lot and he was yelling in the car at MDR Construction. Police sent. The car left the area.

2:56 p.m. - Police out at Holiday Inn for a suspicious drug activity. Freddy Herrera-Araujo, 28, of 227 Lawrence St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with trafficking in more than 10 grams of fentanyl, distribute class B drugs, conspiracy to violate drug law, possession to distribute class B drugs, possession to distribute cocaine, three counts of forge/misuse RMV document, mislead investigation, arrestee furnish to law enforcement false ID

information, and identity fraud. Angel Ruiz, 22, of 188 High St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with trafficking in more than 10 grams of fentanyl, conspiracy to violate drug law, two counts of possession to distribute class B drugs, and distribute class B drugs.

8:57 p.m. - Police stopped a motor vehicle at Main Street and Clark Road. Felix LeBron, 32, of 5 Clifton St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with a warrant for assault and battery domestic on a pregnant woman.

Wednesday, July 15

1:12 p.m. - A suspicious vehicle was at Motel 6. The owner of the dealer stated the plate had been missing since March 2020. Police sent.

4:37 p.m. - The caller found a camera on his property that he did not put there at Bridge Street. Police sent and filed a report.

8:44 p.m. - A suspicious dark colored four door vehicle parked at Ames Hill Drive. No plate avail-

able. Police sent. Prior to arrival, the caller reported the vehicle had left the area.

11:27 p.m. - Caller at Corriveau Residence reported fireworks that were disturbing the peace. Police sent and reported fireworks were coming from Billerica.

Thursday, July 16

2:07 a.m. - Police called in a suspicious vehicle at Holiday Inn. Operator of the vehicle just pulled over to have a cigarette.

5:41 a.m. - There were two dark colored vehicles on the property of the Atamian Honda that were not authorized to be there. Police sent. Officers made contact with the party that was in the vehicle. He was a private investigator teach with Atamian in the Atamian uniform.

10:17 a.m. - Police out at Motel 6 attempting to serve a warrant. Jose Guilermo, 49, of 99 Railroad St. in Lawrence, was arrested and charged with possess counterfeit, possess class A drugs and possess class B drugs. Mi-

chelle Buco, 45, of 570 Merrimack St. in Methuen, was arrested and charged with a warrant for possession class C drugs, possession class A drugs and possession class B drugs.

2:28 p.m. - At Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, police out with a suspicious motor vehicle. Sean Kearney, 44, of 13 Briarwood Drive in Danvers, was arrested and charged with a warrant for intimate witness.

4:17 p.m. - A 911 call for Cumberland Farms address for a three car motor vehicle accident. Female complained of chest pain. Ambulance and police sent. Bridget Marquez, 40, of 276 Mill Road in Chelmsford, was arrested and charged with second offense of OUI liquor.

5:58 p.m. - Police Headquarters reported female party unconscious or sleeping in a vehicle. Kayla Myrer, 27, of 127 Hampton Circle in Hull, was arrested and charged with OUI drugs.

Friday, July 17

2:28 a.m. - Police came upon a motor vehicle stopped in the middle of the road at Main Street and Kennedy Street. Nathaniel Marquez, 37, of 15 Austin St. in Lowell, was arrested and charged with OUI drugs.

2:10 p.m. - Caller complained of dirt bike noise at Maryland Road and Kentucky Road. Caller was told by an officer to download a noise app. He got 99 on the noise app. Officer tried to speak with the homeowner. They spoke with the kids on bikes. One had a friend over for the weekend.

11:45 p.m. - A 911 caller home alone and heard a loud noise in the house at Lee Street. Officers sent. They checked the area and inside of the house, but nothing was found.

Saturday, July 18

2:50 p.m. - Caller adjacent to Kennedy Road reported loud music. The caller subsequently disconnected when prompted for his information. Police reported a cookout was there but no loud noise.

Sunday, July 19

1:28 a.m. - Police out at Walmart with a motor vehicle that had an open door. Everything checked out; the owner was in the vehicle.

2:02 a.m. - Two people argued in the lobby of Holiday Inn. Police sent. Officer spoke to the party, argument between friends. Filed a report.



## Wilmington Police Log

### Medflight called, canceled following rollover at exit 38

Friday, July 10:

3:21 a.m.: A tow truck damaged a light pole in front of Mr. Ticket, as well as two street signs for Lowell Street and West Street.

2:37 p.m.: Police spoke to a number residents trespassing on the town beach on Burnap Street. The residents were able to enter past the gate by the fishing pier. The residents were advised not to enter the beach.

3:22 p.m.: The Fire Department extinguished a small mulch fire at Yentile Farm Recreational Facility on Cross Street.

ity on Cross Street.

Saturday, July 11:

3:54 a.m.: A Kia Sorento hit the traffic light pole at the intersection of Main Street and Lowell Street. The lights were broken after the crash, blinking over the intersection, and the area had to be taped off to warn oncoming traffic. Mass Highway was called in to fix the light and cap off exposed wires from the incident.

8:59 a.m.: A residence on Shady Lane Drive was egged overnight.

11:31 a.m.: A Medflight

was briefly called in for a rollover on Exit 38; upon learning that the helicopter's estimated arrival time was 10 to 15 minutes away and having emergency vehicles on scene, the Medflight was cancelled and the patient was taken to Mass General by a Fire Department ambulance.

2:09 p.m.: Police issued the operator of a Honda Civic a citation for failure to use care while braking after a collision involving a Kia Sorento and a Toyota RAV4. The vehicle was braking at the intersection of Middlesex Avenue and Federal Street. No one was

injured and the vehicles' airbags did not deploy.

Sunday, July 12:

11:20 a.m.: The owner of a Jeep Wrangler reported that his vehicle was hit by a bottle thrown out of the window of a blue SUV. A partial license plate was provided as well. The incident occurred by Jimmy's Garage on Main Street.

Monday, July 13:

5:51 a.m.: A vandalism was reported on Main Street; the report was later corrected as it was found that the damage was caused by a contractor.

11:44 a.m.: A police cruiser was in a collision with a Chevrolet Tahoe on Glen Road.

12:14 p.m.: One patient was taken by the Fire Department for medical attention after a collision on Middlesex Avenue involving a Kia Spectra and a Nissan Rogue.

3:33 p.m.: The Fire Department responded to a carbon monoxide detector activation on McGrane Road.

Tuesday, July 14:

8:11 a.m.: The owner of an Acura TSX reported damage to the vehicle which occurred sometime overnight.

Wednesday, July 15:

5:51 p.m.: Police provided an ice pack and gauze

to a child who was injured while playing tennis at the high school tennis court.

Thursday, July 16:

2:56 a.m.: Police assisted in evacuating a building as the Fire Department handled a dryer fire on Horseshoe Lane.

8:10 a.m.: Animal Control let two raccoons out of a trash barrel they were trapped in on Marion Street.

11:23 a.m.: The Fire Department extinguished a mulch fire at Market Basket on Main Street.

5:11 p.m.: Airbags were deployed in a collision on Aldrich Road involving a Honda Civic and a Nissan Sentra. No medical transport was necessary. Police notified a homeowner that their lawn was damaged in the incident.

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BUZZARDS BAY — On a warm Friday night in June, a socially distanced commencement exercise was held at Massachusetts Maritime Academy in Buzzards Bay.

Lauren Fitch of Wilmington was awarded a Masters of Science in Facilities Management with highest honors. In addition, Lauren was presented the Plateau Asset Management Award.

This award is presented to the MSFM graduate who has best demonstrated leadership potential among his/hers peers by successfully utilizing a combination of service spirit, team spirit, and a spirit of progress.

In 2019, Lauren received her Bachelor of Science in Energy Systems Engineering from MMA.

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With the news coming from the MIAA on Tuesday, it appears (still obstacles to overcome) that the fall high school sports season could possibly happen for Aiden McGrath and the WHS Boys' Soccer team with possible tryout dates for September 14th and possible of games starting as of October 1st. All of this still has to be approved by a number of organizations and Governor Baker. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

## MIAA makes recommendation to push fall sports season back to Sept. 14

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BOSTON -- On Tuesday, in a conference call, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Association Board of Directors voted unanimously to push back the start of the fall high school sports season to no earlier than September 14th, due to the ongoing pandemic.

The original dates were August 21st for football non-contact practice/tryouts and August 24th for the rest of the athletic teams including field hockey, soccer, golf, volleyball and swimming. Cheerleading is not sanctioned by the MIAA.

The first games in Tewksbury were scheduled to start as early as September 8th. Now, according to the Worcester Telegram and Gazette, the two weeks of practice/tryouts will be held starting September 14th with games slated to begin on October 1st.

The MIAA's decision on Tuesday is a recommendation, as schools still have to get approval from the state's Executive Office of Energy and

Environmental Affairs (EEA) or the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) as to what sports will be safe enough to play at the high school level.

According to the Boston Herald, "The two entities have met with the Department of Public Health, epidemiologists and other high-ranking officials in Governor Charlie Baker's office to discuss the prospects of fall sports." Six members of the MIAA's COVID-19 Task Force team were also present in that meeting.

Besides Tuesday's recommendation of pushing the start date back, the MIAA Board of Directors also voted unanimously to approve the COVID-19 Task Force's recommendation that the Board meet once again three business days after the EEA and DESE publish their guidelines for K-12 fall and youth sports, which should come out in the next few weeks. From there, the Task Force will look ahead to establishing a fall sports season.

"The first is the fall season and beyond, what that would look like based on

the youth and K-12 sports guidelines that are released," said Thom Holdgate in the Berkshire Eagle. Holdgate is the committee co-chairman and Duxbury athletic director. "That will allow us to look at what sports are viable based on that release and see if there has to be anything done creatively within our structure that the COVID Task Force would agree upon to bring forth as a recommendation for what the upcoming school year would look like in regard to educational athletics."

Holdgate was then asked about whether or not they would be post-season play this fall.

"We also will arrive at a recommendation regarding post-season or tournament play for the 2020-21 school year," he said, "depending on what we come to see as part of those guidelines."

The MIAA also voted unanimously to abolish handshakes during all fall season games.

Tewksbury Memorial High School Athletic Director Ron Drouin was asked his thoughts on what transpired at the meeting.

"The meeting outcome is what I thought it would be, start delayed until September 14th, which is what the Sports Medicine Committee recommended last week," he said. "We will wait until early August to see what DESE and EEA say and who they allow to play. From what I hear, every effort will be made to play all sports. I remain hopeful that will be the case."

New Wilmington High School AD Mia Muzio, who is just three weeks on the job, shared similar thoughts.

"The Wilmington High School Athletic Department still remains hopeful that a fall season will be able to happen even with the proposed September 14th start date. With that said, ultimately the health, safety and well being of our student athletes, coaches and community members is paramount."

"We will continue to keep the student-athletes and community informed of new information and any changes. We thank everyone for their patience and understanding during this unprecedented time."

## Summer High School Softball team blanked by Amesbury in opener

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WILMINGTON - The Wilmington High softball team lost its 2020 varsity season to the COVID-19 pandemic, but several members of that Wildcat squad are back together again on the diamond, happy to be playing in a recently-organized summer league, along with several other area towns.

Several other players are getting their work in so they can make next year's Wilmington High varsity squad.

The Wildcats formed, last week, just in time to get two practices in before taking the field for their first game, a 5-0 loss to Amesbury. They have not been able to hold practice since then, and they are still at that stage where even the coaches are still trying to get the players' names straight.

"This is an up-and-coming team with a lot of freshmen, who are getting experience with the older girls," said Wilmington coach Katherine McKenna, who shares coaching duties with Taylor Hanley. "We are looking forward to getting some practices in, and maybe getting some wins."

The lack of familiarity did not show during Monday night's game at Groveland Pines Park in Groveland, as the players cheered each other on and had a great time playing together out on the field, the camaraderie already on display.

Wilmington was the home team that night against Pentucket, and the Sachems prevailed in eight innings, 5-2, after Wildcat first baseman Bella Kieran spoiled Pentucket pitcher Charlotte Latham's shutout bid with a home run with one out in the bottom of the seventh.

It was a 1-1 game after seven, and the eighth began with the International Tiebreaker format, which saw the last out of the seventh inning start the eighth at second base.

That was Tessa Montello for the Sachems and she scored when leadoff batter Caitlyn Kutcher tripled to the fence in left field. Wilmington pitcher Audrey Powers struck out the next batter but an infield single Latham left runners at the corners. Latham stole second and moved to third when Kutcher scored on an infield out.

Madeline Mogavero drew a base on balls and stole second with two outs. A wild pitch scored Latham and moved Mogavero to third, and Sarah Sargent singled to give Pentucket a 5-1 lead.

In the bottom of the eighth, Ashley Forward

started out at second base, but she was thrown out at home trying to score on a leadoff single by Lily Mackenzie, who moved down to second on the throw home.

Alex Lavigne singled to second MacKenzie to third and she scored on a ground ball to second by Anna Warford for the 5-2 final.

"The Audrey-Ashley duo was strong in this game," said McKenna, of her pitcher and catcher Ashley Crawford. "Ashley did a really good job protecting the plate."

Both pitchers kind of struggled in the extra frame after pitching close to flawless in the first seven innings.

Powers was perfect in the first two innings and retired eight in a row before Sargent spoiled her no-hitter with a one-hop double to the fence in left-center. Powers came back to get the next batter on a popup to first base.

Wilmington did not do much in the first three innings against Latham, but got its first good scoring chance in the fourth. With one out, Jenna Sweeney singled, and went to second when the ball rolled under the glove of the left fielder.

A two-out infield hit by Sofia Scalfani put runners at the corners, but Latham managed to escape with a fly ball to right for the third out.

The Sachems broke through with the game's first run in the top of the fifth. Kutcher walked and stole second. After going to third on an infield out, she scored on a sacrifice fly by Latham. It was a well-struck, line-drive by Latham, and a nice, leaping catch was made in left field by Lavigne.

Powers cruised through the next two innings, leaving it up to the Wilmington offense to get the job done in the seventh. The Wildcats had gone 13 innings without a run when Kieran got a hold of a Latham offering and lined it over the fence in left for a home run. Wilmington's only regret was that no one was on base, and the game went into the extra inning, tied at 1-1.

"It was too bad there was no one on base for her because Bella has such a nice stroke," said McKenna. "She has a lot of power behind the ball and is an all-around good player."

The Wildcats have two more games this week, against Essex, Wednesday evening (6 p.m.) and against Tewksbury, Thursday night (8 p.m.). Wilmington and Tewksbury share Hazel Field in Tewksbury as their home field, and that is where both Wildcat games will be played.

## Many collegiate conferences cancel upcoming season

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This past week was a real heartbreaker for many local athletes, who were hoping to compete at the collegiate level this upcoming fall season.

In a matter of a few days, America East, the NE-10 and the MASCAC all followed in the footsteps of the Patriot and Ivy Leagues of announcing that each conference is canceling the upcoming fall sports season due to the pandemic.

Locals from the AE Conference include UMass-Lowell athletes Emily Sessa and Tatum Pecci of Tewksbury, and Wilmington's Joe Gaudreau - all members of the cross-country/track programs, as well as Wilmington resident Chris Walsh who had verbally agreed to play football at the University of Albany back in the spring. Tewksbury resident Adam Gajjaoui was a member of last year's UMaine Football team.

The MASCAC, a division 3 conference with eight college programs, has the most local athletes includ-

ing at Salem State, Tewksbury's Alison Pellegrino and Allison Couillard of the Field Hockey team, Tewksbury's Liana Angelis of the tennis team and Wilmington's Justin Leger of the men's soccer team.

At Worcester State, from the cross-country programs included Tewksbury residents Patrick Carleton, Shaylee Puleo and Caitlin Conneely, then soccer had Tewksbury residents Haley Mignon on the women's side and Alex Papageorgiou on the men's side, and then Brooke Lamothe was eager to return to the volleyball team.

The other local athlete was Elizabeth Ezekiel, a tennis player at Bridgewater who comes from Tewksbury.

Finally with the NE-10 Conference there's seven local athletes from Bentley, the University of New Haven, St. Anselm, Stonehill and Merrimack, who will not get a chance to play. Those seven include Wilmington residents Dana Goulet (soccer) and Dean Nally at

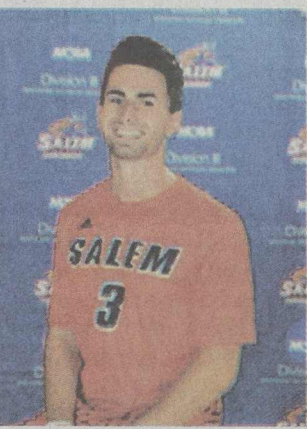


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Bentley, Tewksbury's Sophie Eskenas (soccer) at New Haven, Holly O'Leary (cross-country) and Steve Catanzano (football) at St. Anselm, Wilmington residents Tyler Roberts (football) and Alyssa Bernazani at Merrimack and then Masyn Lorick of Tewksbury, who planned on returning to the Stonehill Football team.

The Council of Presidents of the Northeast-10 Conference voted unanimously on Thursday to suspend all NE10-sponsored competition and championships through Dec. 31.

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"First and foremost, I would like to express how truly sorry and disappointed I am that our fall and winter athletes won't start their seasons as we had all hoped for," said Dr. Kim Mooney, Franklin Pierce University President and chair of the NE10 Council of Presidents, in a statement. "Ultimately, the postponement was the only responsible decision our Council could make in order to protect the health and well-being of student-athletes and staff across the NE-10."

## Oberg iffy to start the season

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On Sunday, Colorado Rockies Manager Bud Black spoke to reporters about Scott Oberg's health. The Tewksbury native has been dealing with a back strain and there's a lot of question on whether or not he will start the season with the Rockies in Texas on Friday, or on the 10-day disabled list.

"It's getting better, getting better. We are going to closely watch him (on

Sunday) as well as Tuesday, his next outing and see where we are," said Black.

Later that night, Oberg pitched in a simulation game and retired the side in order.

"I felt all right, overall, out there today," Oberg said to Patrick Saunders of the Denver Post. "Better than it has been the last week or so. My arm felt good. And there is a chance I can be ready Friday. I'm still going to take things a day at a time."



Town Crier selects the top locals from Tewksbury and Wilmington

# Shawsheen Tech spring female athletes of the decade

Part three of a seven part series on the top local female athletes of the past decade from Wilmington and Tewksbury on the Shawsheen Tech spring teams.

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**BILLERICA** - It has been quite a run for the girls spring sports teams at Shawsheen Tech over the past decade. Each girls team in the spring season in fact, has had a remarkable run of success over the past ten years.

Leading the way among the four teams (Softball, Lacrosse, Track and Co-Ed Tennis) would have to be the Softball and Girls Lacrosse teams, but the other teams are not far behind.

Overall, the girls teams at Shawsheen have won five state vocational titles and ten Commonwealth Athletic Conference CAC titles over the past ten years, with each of the teams having contributed to the totals in some way. The Rams Softball team leads all spring squads with four league titles during the decade, while the Lacrosse team has won three league titles, but has also captured three state vocational titles. Meanwhile the Co-Ed Tennis team has won three league titles and the Girls Track team has won two state vocational crowns.

The combined overall won-loss record of all of the girls' spring teams over the past decade was 367-221-9.

Through all of these championships, tournament berths and other fine accomplishments for these teams through the years, there have obviously many fines athletes who have led the way, and many of those have come from Tewksbury and Wilmington. All selections for the All-Decade teams below have been made solely by this reporter after covering each of these teams for the past ten years. As with any All-Star team, there were some tough omissions, and of course, we limited our selections to Wilmington and Tewksbury residents, meaning that many talented athletes from Billerica, Burlington and Bedford were not considered. With that being said, I feel like each athlete represented here is very well deserving of their selection.

## SOFTBALL

It was a decade of great success for the Shawsheen Tech Softball team, with the Rams qualifying for the MIAA State Tournament seven out of the ten years of the decade, while winning four CAC titles. Most of the Rams success came in the first half of the decade, when they captured four league championships in a row from 2010-2013 under the direction of head coach Maureen Buckley. That streak was actually part of seven titles in a row for the Rams, who also took the CAC crown from 2007-2009.

Shawsheen's best regular season came in 2013 when the Rams went a perfect 20-0 before losing in the first round of the state vocational tournament and the quarterfinals of the MIAA Division 3 Tournament to finish 21-2 overall.

Buckley coached the Rams through the 2015 season, going 89-39 overall, including a 4-5 mark in the state tournament. Long time Shawsheen assistant Scott Ialuna took over as head coach in 2016, and has gone 37-37 over the past four seasons, including consecutive tournament berths in 2017 and 2018. For the decade, the Rams had an overall record of 126-76.

Here are our selections -



Sara Elwell, shown here during the 2010 season, is one of the locals selected to the Town Crier's Shawsheen Tech All-Decade Softball team. (file photo).

we decided to take four outfielders and not take a first baseman, as we felt strongly that the four girls deserved to be selected.

## ALL-DECADE TEAM

**P:** Sara Elwell (Tewksbury) - Her senior season is the only season that qualifies, but what a season it was, as she earned CAC MVP and First Team Lowell Sun All-Star honors. In that 2010 season she posted a 17-5 record with a 2.60 ERA, five shutouts, 90 strikeouts and only 19 walks, while also tossing a no-hitter. And just for good measure, she also batted .351 with a .458 OBP.

**P:** Emily Hamilton (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC Player of the Year, the 2013 graduate went 10-2 in her junior year with a 2.98 ERA, while also batting .415 with 14 doubles and 11 RBI. As a senior she again went 10-2, while batting .292 with 10 RBI.

**P:** Meghan Walsh (Tewksbury) - Walsh combined with Hamilton to form a tremendous 1-2 punch in the pitcher's circle, especially during her senior season of 2013, when the duo combined for an undefeated regular season, earning herself CAC All-Star honors.

**C:** Jamie Ray (Tewksbury) - Ray put up some remarkable numbers throughout her career, batting .523 with three home runs and 40 RBI as a sophomore. She was even better in her senior season of 2015, batting .574 with five home runs and 19 RBI earning her CAC Player of the Year honors. The four-time CAC All-Star was also a two-time Lowell Sun First team selection.

**2B:** Danielle Cacciola (Tewksbury) - A three-time CAC All-Star, Cacciola was also voted to the Lowell Sun Second Team as a junior and Honorable Mention as a senior in 2014. She also stepped up in the post season for the Rams, going 2-for-2 and scoring both of her team's runs in a tough 3-2 loss to Tyngsboro in the D3N Tournament.

**3B:** Emily Knoops (Tewksbury) - A three-time CAC All-Star, Knoops was also voted to the Lowell Sun Second team as just a sophomore in 2012. Knoops was a stabilizing force in the middle of the Rams lineup for three years, helping to lead them to a pair of CAC titles.

**SS:** Arianna Medeiros (Tewksbury) - A CAC All-Star in 2012 and 2013, Medeiros was also a Lowell Sun Honorable Mention selection in 2012. Medeiros was part of four straight CAC titles, and was also a member of the Rams All-Decade Girls Basketball team. She went on to play both soft-

ball and soccer at Dean College.

**OF:** Victoria Basler (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC All-Star, and a Lowell Sun Second team selection in her senior season of 2017, Basler batted .340 as a junior with 12 stolen bases. She followed that up with a senior season where she was in the top two of every offensive category for the Rams while serving as one of the team's captains.

**OF:** Stephanie Champoux (Tewksbury) - Her greatest ability was her defense, as she covered a lot of ground in center field. Rarely was a fly ball ever out of her range. Which is not to say that the 2013 CAC All-Star could not hit, as she drove in the game winning run in an 8-7 thriller over Bishop Fenwick that season to keep the Rams undefeated record intact at 19-0. She also had a three-run double in the Rams first round tournament win over Boston Latin.

**OF:** Kennedy Harper (Wilmington) - Harper was a Lowell Sun First Team All-Star in her senior season of 2014, when she batted .435 with seven doubles, 25 runs scored, a .532 OBP and 11 stolen bases. The two-time CAC All-Star is also a member of the Rams All-Decade Girls Hockey team.

**OF:** Becca Smith (Tewksbury) - Smith was a Lowell Sun First team All-Star in her senior season of 2019, when she batted .469, with four triples 22 runs scored, 12 stolen bases and 16 RBI. A three-year starter for the Rams, the two-time CAC All-Star ended her career with a .440 batting average, with 88 career hits and 66 runs scored.

**DH:** Katie Welch (Wilmington) - A team captain in her senior year of 2017, when she led the Rams to a 12-7 record, their first winning record since 2013. Welch was a CAC All-Star and a Lowell Sun Honorable Mention selection that season. A four-year starter, Welch also starred for the Rams Volleyball team.

## GIRLS LACROSSE

Like their male counterparts, the Shawsheen Girls Lacrosse team has shown great success over the past decade. After starting the decade as an independent team, the Rams have dominated the CAC since its inception in 2016, winning the first three league titles in a row from 2016-2018, before narrowly missing out on the title and finishing second in 2019.

Along with their three league titles, the Rams have also taken home three Massachusetts State Vocational finals, taking home the title the last three years after advancing to the vocational final

back in 2016.

The Rams started the decade by posting a 5-10-1 record under the direction of Herb Post, who had taken over for Liz Richards, who guided the team through their first five years of existence from 2005-2009.

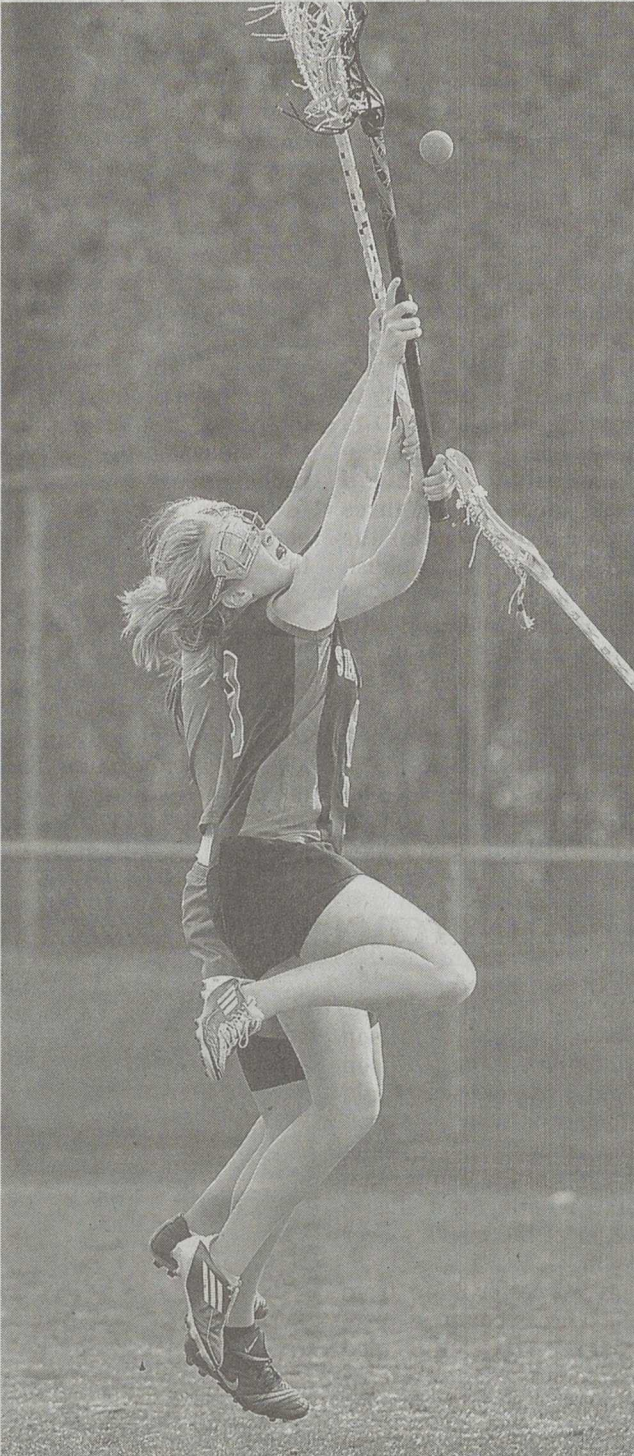
Former Shawsheen three sport star Maggie Joyce took over for Post in 2011 and led the Rams to three consecutive MIAA Division II state tournament berths before stepping down after 2013 season to focus on her graduate degree. After one year away, Joyce would return for one more season in 2015 and lead the Rams to a 7-9-1 record, giving her

trip to the vocational championship game. Since that season, O'Reilly has led the Rams to two more league titles and three vocational championships, as well as a state tournament victory over Lowell Catholic, and a 55-28 record.

Overall, the Rams were 101-70-8 for the decade.

## ALL DECADE TEAM

**Attacks and Midfielders**  
**Kelsey Farraher** (Tewksbury) - A three-year starter for the Rams, the 2013 graduate scored 54 goals as a junior midfielder for the Rams. As a senior when she was asked to play more of a defensive midfield to help



Kelsey Farraher in action for the Rams during the 2012 season, is one of the selections to the All-Decade Girls Lacrosse team. (file photo).

an overall record of 34-24-6 for her career.

During Joyce's one year absence, the Rams were led by two other former players, as Eileen Warford and Charlotte Ardini were co-head coaches, leading the Rams to a 7-8-1 record.

The year 2016 brought a new league and a new coach, as another former Shawsheen star, Alex O'Reilly took over the helm of the Rams. It also brought the Rams the first league title in program history, as well as a

the team, she still scored 31 goals, while winning team MVP honors, and being named a Lowell Sun First team All-Star.

**Michelle Farraher** (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC All-Star, Farraher was also selected to the Lowell Sun Second team in 2015 and Honorable Mention in 2014. During her junior season of 2015, she stepped up in the post season, scoring four goals in a state tournament loss to Ipswich.

**Catherine McKenna** (Wilmington) - McKenna

scored over 150 goals for the Rams in her career, including 49 as just a sophomore and 64 as a junior in 2017. A four-year member of the Rams varsity squad, McKenna scored two goals in the Rams vocational championship game win over Old Colony in 2017.

**Rachel McLaren** (Wilmington) - McLaren was a two-time CAC All-Star and a Lowell Sun Second team All-Star in her senior season of 2014. She also had a great season in her junior year, including scoring six goals in a big win over Haverhill in the team's season finale that year.

A three sport star for the Rams, she is also a member of the Girls Hockey All-Decade team.

**Annie Riddle** (Wilmington) - A Lowell Sun Second team All-Star in her senior season of 2017, and a two-time CAC All-Star, Riddle seemed to have a flair for the dramatic. Among many big moments, 2017, she scored a goal literally as the buzzer sounded to give the Rams a 12-11 win over Mystic Valley, part of a six goal performance on the day.

**Alesha Talbot** (Tewksbury) - A high scoring attack for the Rams, Talbot was part of three CAC titles and two vocational titles. She scored five goals in the Rams 2018 vocational title win over Old Colony, capping off a senior season where she scored over 50 goals.

## Defenders

**Sarah Constantino** (Tewksbury) - A captain in her senior season of 2018, Constantino twice was honored with the team's Coaches Award, for her tremendous leadership abilities. She was pretty good on the field as well, spending two years as a lock down defender for the Rams before moving up to midfield midway through her senior season when the team was short-handed due to injury.

**Jackie Farraher** (Tewksbury) - A three-year starter for the Rams, she was the leader of the Rams defensive core, particularly during her senior year of 2015 when she never seemed to leave the field while helping to lead the Rams to an improbable tournament berth.

**Nicole Kopacz** (Tewksbury) - A defensive stalwart for the Rams, who took on all opposing attackers fearlessly. Could also get the job done offensively, scoring the game tying goal with 2:17 left in the Rams 2016 MIAA state tournament win over Lowell Catholic. After also starring for the Rams Swimming and Soccer teams, she went on to have a great lacrosse career at Fitchburg State.

## Goalie

**Julia Ryan** (Wilmington) - Ryan started her career off with a bang, winning CAC MVP as just a freshman, and she never looked back. She took her sophomore year off to focus on hockey, but returned as a junior and picked up right where she left off, being named to the CAC All-Star team two more times. Ryan also stepped up in the post season, making 15 saves in the MIAA Tournament win over Lowell Catholic in her freshman year, and ten saves in the Rams state vocational championship win in over Essex Tech in her senior year of 2019.

## GIRLS TRACK

The Shawsheen Girls Spring Track team was successful throughout this past decade under the direction of Jay Tildsley, Tim Broadrick and Jeff McGrath, posting an overall record of 65-29-1 during the past ten years.

While not quite as dominant as the boys team

**RAMS B8**



Town Crier selects the top locals from Tewksbury and Wilmington

# Shawsheen Tech spring male athletes of the decade

Part four of a seven part series on the top local male athletes of the past decade from Wilmington and Tewksbury on the Shawsheen Tech spring teams.

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**BILLERICA** - The Boys Spring teams at Shawsheen Tech have each enjoyed some great success over the past decade, with each team having won multiple league championships in the past ten years.

Leading the way among the four teams (Baseball, Lacrosse, Track and Co-Ed Tennis) would have to be the Boys Lacrosse team, simply because they were so dominant, but each of the teams has followed in their footsteps with tremendous success of their own.

Overall, the boys teams at Shawsheen have won eight state vocational titles and 17 Commonwealth Athletic Conference CAC titles over the past ten years, with each of the teams having contributed to the totals in some way. The Rams Lacrosse team leads all spring squads with eight league titles during the decade, to go along with six vocational titles, while the Baseball team has won four league titles, and one state vocational title. Meanwhile the Co-Ed Tennis team has won three league titles and the Boys Track team has won four league titles and one state vocational crown.

The combined overall won-loss record of all of the boys spring teams over the past decade was 426-198-1.

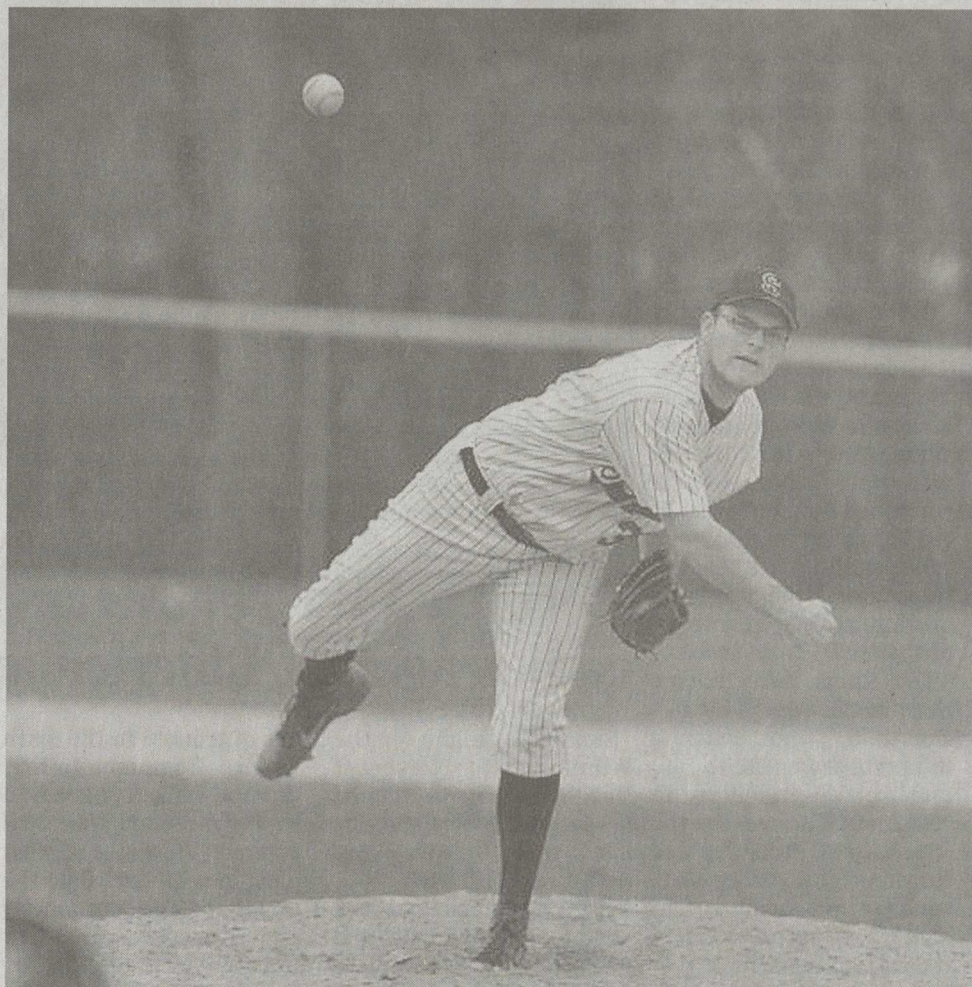
Through all of these championships, tournament berths and other fine accomplishments for these teams through the years, there have obviously many fines athletes who have led the way, and many of those have come from Tewksbury and Wilmington. All selections for the All-Decade teams below have been made solely by this reporter after covering each of these teams for the past ten years. As with any All-Star team, there were some tough omissions, and of course, we limited our selections to Wilmington and Tewksbury residents, meaning that many talented athletes from Billerica, Burlington and Bedford were not considered. With that being said, I feel like each athlete represented here is very well deserving of their selection.

## BASEBALL

The Shawsheen Baseball team joined many of the other Rams Spring programs in having a very successful decade, as they won four CAC titles over the past ten years, as well as one Massachusetts State Vocational championship.

The Rams were particularly dominant in the second half of the decade, when at one point they won or shared three straight league titles (2014-2016). In an ironic twist, they failed to win the league title in 2017, but that season they set a school record for wins in a season with 19, and captured the school's first ever state vocational championship.

Jim Sullivan was the head coach of the Rams in 2010 and 2011, guiding them to a 20-17 record and one state tournament berth, before Brian McCarthy took over in 2012, leading the Rams to the CAC title in his first season and three more since then. Overall the Rams have gone 105-62 under McCarthy, including a 2-6 mark in the state tournament, and for the decade, they posted an overall record of 125-82.



Matt Lucia, shown here throwing a pitch during the 2014 season, is one of the locals to make it to the All-Decade Shawsheen Tech Baseball team. (file photos).

## ALL DECADE TEAM

**P:** **Matt Lucia** (Tewksbury) - Lucia had a tremendous senior season in 2014, leading the Rams to the CAC title with a 6-2 record and a 1.14 ERA, while also batting .545 with 19 RBI, earning CAC MVP honors for his efforts. He continued his dominance in the post season, with a complete game gem against Arlington Catholic in a 7-3 win, in a game where he also hit a grand slam in the fifth inning to break a 3-3 tie.

**P:** **Dan McCreven** (Tewksbury) - Combined with Alex Tate to give the Rams a formidable duo at the top of their rotation. Went 4-2 with a 1.48 ERA in his junior year, and then in his senior year of 2016, capped off his season with a 7-2 win over previously undefeated Bay Path in the first round of the vocational tournament. Was part of three straight CAC championship teams.

**P:** **Alex Tate** (Tewksbury) - This talented lefty was a two-time CAC All-Star, and also earned Lowell Sun Second Team honors in his senior season of 2016. Helped lead the Rams to three straight CAC titles, including picking up the 5-4 over Essex Tech to clinch the crown in 2016. In his junior year he posted a 4-1 record with a 1.29 ERA.

**P:** **CJ Zemetres** (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC All-Star, Zemetres was at his best in big games. He tossed a complete game with six strikeouts on a 4-1 win over Worcester Tech to win the vocational title as just a sophomore in 2017, and in 2018 he helped the Rams clinch a playoff spot with a complete game 3-2 win over Arlington Catholic. His best performance, however, may have come in a loss, when he pitched all 11 innings and struck out 13 batters in a heart-breaking 4-3 loss to Northeast in his senior year.

**1B:** **Joe Vitale** (Tewksbury) - In his senior season of 2012 Vitale helped lead the Rams to their first CAC title since 2008. Had an outstanding season overall that year, but was especially effective over the last two contests of the regular season in games the Rams needed to win to clinch the title, picking up two hits against both Chelsea and Greater Lowell to help propel the Rams to victory.

**2B:** **Brendan O'Flaherty** (Wilmington) - A two-time CAC All-Star, O'Flaherty earned CAC MVP honors in his senior year of 2016, when he hit .403 eight doubles, two home runs, 18 RBI and 26 runs scored. O'Flaherty was also selected as a Lowell Sun First Team All-Star.

**3B:** **Joe Sodergren**

(Tewksbury) - More known for his hockey skills, Sodergren, who is also a member of the Rams All-Decade Hockey team, was a pretty fair baseball player as well. Sodergren was a two-time CAC All-Star, as well as being selected as a Lowell Sun First Team All-Star in his senior year of 2012. A defensive whiz, Sodergren got the job won at the plate as well, batting .427 with five home runs in his senior year.

**SS:** **Kevin White** (Tewksbury) - A four-year starter for the Rams at shortstop, White got it done both offensively and defensively as the Rams leadoff batter, setting the table for the rest of the offense and helped lead the Rams to a playoff berth in his senior season of 2010. Later that season, with the Rams shorthanded in their pitching staff, White took the ball to make his first pitching appearance in three years and proceeded to toss a complete game, five hit shutout over Greater Lowell.

**OF:** **James Gibb** (Wilmington) - Gibb capped off a fine career with the Rams with an outstanding senior season in 2014, batting .370 and being selected to the CAC All-Star team. He also had a big hit for the Rams in the post season, driving in the go-ahead run against Arlington Catholic during the Rams first round tournament win.

**OF:** **David Lindsey** (Tewksbury) - A three-year starter and a two-time CAC champion, Lindsey helped lead the Rams to victory over previously undefeated Bay Path in the first round of the vocational tournament, going 1-for-3 with three runs scored. A CAC All-Star and Lowell Sun Honorable Mention in his senior season of 2016, Lindsey moved up from the fifth spot to the second spot in the lineup that year, and he became an on base machine, giving the Rams lineup a great spark.

**OF:** **Joe Tower** (Tewksbury) - Tower, who is also a member of the Rams All-Decade Boys Basketball team, helped lead the Rams to the CAC title in his senior year of 2012. He would earn CAC All-Star honors that year, with one of his biggest games coming in the league title clinching win over Greater Lowell when he had three hits.

**DH:** **Mike Bowse** (Tewksbury) - A CAC All-Star in 2012, Bowse also starred on the mound for the Rams, even tossing a complete game shutout, striking out seven batters in the team's season opener that year. But Bowse also made plenty of noise at the plate when he was in the lineup as an infield-

er, with just a couple of his highlights that year coming with a pair of three hit efforts against Greater Lawrence and Ashland.

## BOYS LACROSSE

To classify the past decade as merely a success for the Shawsheen Tech Boys Lacrosse team does not seem to do justice to the sheer dominance of the Rams over the rest of the Commonwealth Athletic Conference, and in fact, the rest of the state vocational programs in the state of Massachusetts.

The Rams posted a 157-54 overall record under the direction of head coach Chuck Baker, but that only tells part of the story. The Rams also posted an almost unbelievable 112-8 CAC record during the decade, winning league titles in eight of the ten seasons of the decade, actually starting the decade by winning their first 49 league games. Shawsheen won CAC titles from 2010-2013, and again from 2016-2019.

In addition to winning the eight league titles, they also won six State Vocational championships, taking home state titles in 2012, 2013 and 2015, and then winning three straight from 2016-2018. The only place where the Rams struggled was in the MIAA

Tournament, where the earned only one win during the decade, a 2011 first round triumph over Belmont.

**ALL DECADE TEAM**  
**Attacks and Midfielders**  
**Ryan Capraro** (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC All-Star, and four-year member of the varsity squad, Capraro posted monster numbers in his junior and senior seasons, scoring 40 goals and adding 43 assists for 83 points in his junior season and coming back as a senior to dwarf those numbers by posting 65-48-113 totals. He finished his career with 212 total points, and is also a member of the Shawsheen Boys Hockey All-Decade team.

**Ryan Hunt** (Wilmington) - The elder Hunt only qualifies for one year of the decade, but in 2010, he helped lead the Rams to an undefeated (12-0) CAC record, scoring 20 goals for Rams, earning both CAC All-Star honors, as well as being selected as a Lowell Sun Honorable Mention.

**Tim Hunt** (Wilmington) - A two-time CAC All-Star, Hunt led the CAC in scoring in his junior season of 2012, scoring 73 goals, while adding 26 assists for 99 points. For an encore in his senior season, he posted even bigger numbers, tallying 80-49-29 totals. For his career, the two-time CAC All-Star and 2012 Lowell Sun Second team selection finished with 218-116-334 totals.

**Dylan Leone** (Tewksbury) - A standout midfielder for the Rams, Leone was the CAC Defensive Player of the Year in 2010 and the CAC MVP in his senior year of 2011. A two-time Lowell Sun Second Team All-Star, Leone was known for his defense, but could also put the ball in the net, scoring 69 goals in his career.

**Jack Stone** (Tewksbury) - A two-time CAC All-Star, Stone finished his career with 167 goals and 53 assists for 220 points, including his best season as a junior in 2015 when the attack posted 70-16-86 totals.

**Conor Rooney** (Wilmington) - Rooney missed out on his senior season due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the midfielder made the most of his three years with the Rams scoring 98 career goals, and being selected the CAC MVP in his junior season of 2019. He scored

59 goals and added 12 assists during that 2019 season.

**Ryan Woolaver** (Tewksbury) - Another two-time CAC All-Star for the Rams, Woolaver finished his career with 177 career points, including 29-40-69 totals in his senior season of 2011. Along with starring as a midfielder for the Rams, he also guided the Shawsheen Football team to the 2010 Super Bowl title.

## Defenders

**Nolan Gaffey** (Wilmington) - A captain in his senior season of 2013, Gaffey was a shut down defender for the Rams. While his best talent was keeping the ball out of the Shawsheen net, he could still contribute on offense when called upon, scoring five goals from his defense position in both his junior and senior seasons.

**Mark Companschi** (Wilmington) - Another shut down defender for the Rams, taking over in the latter half of the decade to keep opponents out of his goalie's space. A CAC All-Star in both his junior and senior seasons, Companschi also starred at linebacker for the Rams Football team.

## Goalies

**Chris Abele** (Tewksbury) - A three-year starter for the Rams, Abele was a two-time CAC All-Star and was selected as a Lowell Sun Honorable Mention in 2017. During that season, Abele had a .689 save pct., while posting a 16-6 record and a 6.6 GAA. He was even better as a senior with a .695 save pct., a 16-4 record and a 5.7 GAA.

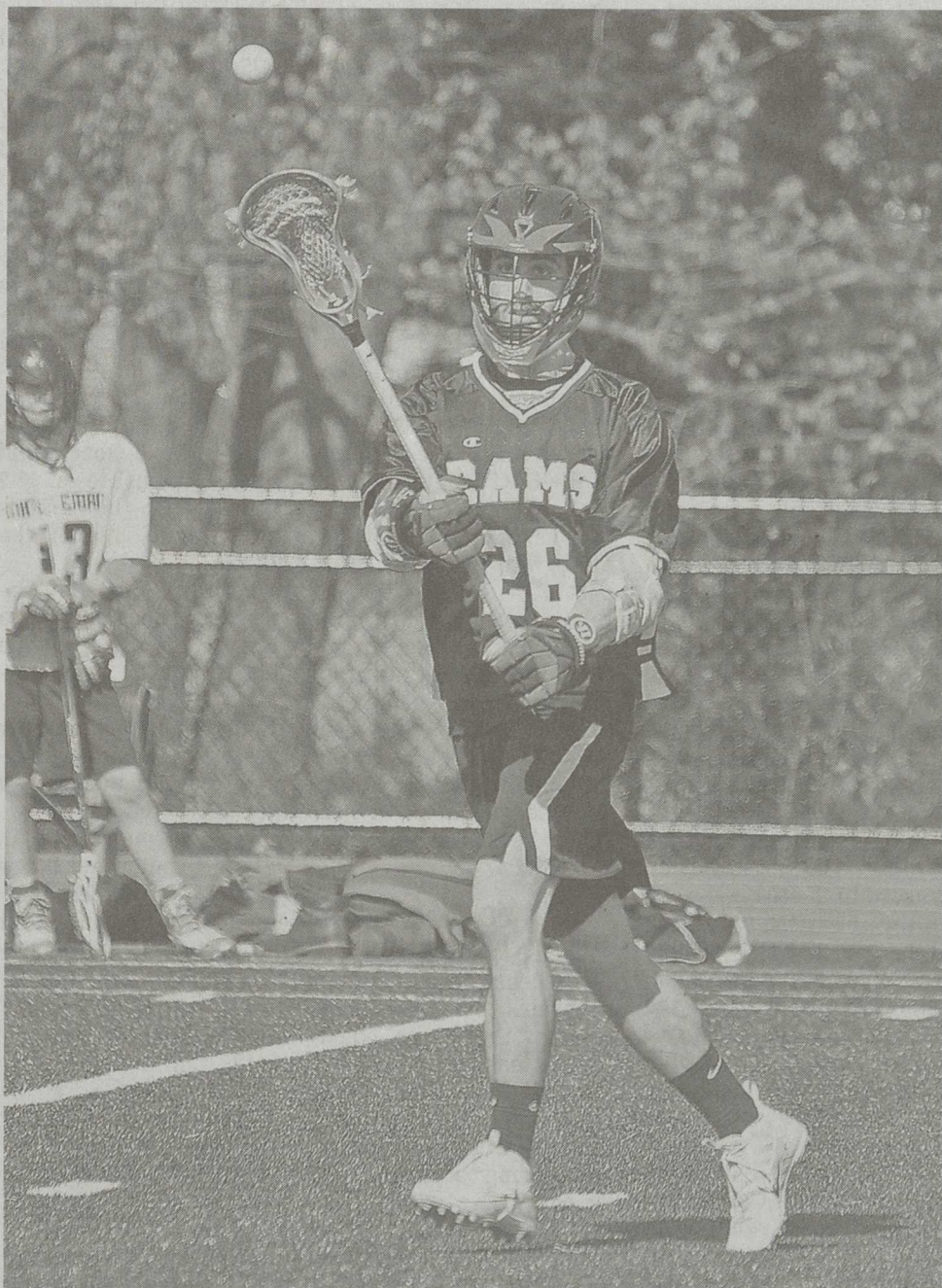
**Frankie Mearls** (Wilmington) - Mearles was the winning goalie in the Rams only MIAA Tournament win of the decade, making 15 saves in their 6-3 win over Belmont in 2011. The four-year starter for the Rams was a CAC All-Star and a Lowell Sun Honorable Mention selection in 2010.

## BOYS TRACK

The Shawsheen Boys Spring Track team was successful throughout this past decade under the direction of Jay Tildsley, Tim Broadrick and Jeff McGrath, posting an overall record of 62-16-1 during the past ten years.

The Rams were successful throughout the decade, but really turned it on over the final six years.

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Conor Rooney, shown here during the 2018 season, has been selected to the Town Crier's All-Local Shawsheen Tech Boys Lacrosse Decade team.

(photo by Jim Vaiknoras).



# Shawsheen Tech spring male athletes of the decade

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After going 23-4 under the direction of Tildsley from 2010-2012, and then 4-3-1 in 2013 under Broadrick, the Rams really took off under McGrath. After struggling to a 2-4 record in McGrath's first year of 2014, they have posted an overall record of 42-9 during his tenure, including winning the last three league titles and the last four dual meet titles, while going undefeated (a combined 19-0) over the past two seasons, and 34-2 over the past four seasons, including winning the state vocational title in 2018.

## ALL DECADE TEAM

**Ralph DeRosiers** (Wilmington) - DeRosiers had a fine junior season for the Rams, where he was part of the first place 4 x 400 Relay team at the CAC League Meet, along with taking a solid fifth place finish in the 200 meter dash. Then as a senior in 2019, DeRosiers shocked everybody by having a tremendous season, and capping it off with a first place finish in the 200 meters in a school record breaking time of 22.89, as well as a second place finish in the 100 meters in a time of 11.28.

**Christian Lucchesi** (Tewksbury) - Lucchesi excelled in multiple events for the Rams, performing very well in the long jump and triple jump, but it was the 400-meters where he shined the most, taking a second place finish in the 400-meters at the 2016 CAC League Meet, as well as a third place finish in the 4x400 relay.

**Jared Mason** (Tewksbury) - Mason was a versatile four-year member of the Rams, having his greatest success in his senior year of 2018 when he took first place in three events at the CAC League Meet, winning the long jump with a leap of 21-03.75, and the javelin with a throw of 139-00, as well

as being part of the championship 4x100 relay team.

**Jason Myers** (Tewksbury) - A four-year member of the Rams squad, Myers really stepped up in his junior and senior years, taking second place in both the 400 meters (53.25) and the triple jump (19.03.75) at the CAC League meet in 2019, as well as a third place finish in the long jump. The year before as a junior he had taken third in the 400 and long jump and fourth in the high jump.

**Derek Steen** (Wilmington) - The greatest track athlete of the decade for the Rams, and possibly the greatest in the history of the program, he only qualifies for the 2010 season for our purposes, but what a dominant season it was. Steen was undefeated in the high hurdles during that season and failed to finish first in the triple jump in just one meet. While it technically doesn't qualify for the decade, it is worth noting that he was a two-time CAC MVP, a three-time state vocational champion, and the only athlete in Shawsheen history to qualify for the MIAA State Meet four years in a row. During that senior season he earned an eighth place finish at the EMass Division 3 championships in the high hurdles.

**Matt Toto** (Wilmington) - Toto also showed the ability to compete not only with the best the CAC had to offer, but also the best the state had to offer, qualifying for the MIAA State Meet in the javelin in both his junior and senior seasons. He also excelled in the 100 meters and the triple jump.

## CO-ED TENNIS

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But in reality, the Tennis team had a very good decade for themselves. There were a few hiccups along the way, with a two year stretch in 2015 and 2016 where they were a combined 6-18, but overall, the Rams performed very well, winning three CAC titles along the way and posting an overall record of 75-46.

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Some of the results for the Tennis team are harder to track than many of the other teams, so we don't have many individual stats, but listed below are some of the best players for the program over the past ten years, many of whom earned CAC All-Star honors for their efforts.

**John Bumpus** (Wilmington) (2019)  
**Mike DiGiorgio** (Tewksbury) (2013)  
**Jimmy Gautreau** (Wilmington) (2014)  
**Adam Hines** (Tewksbury) (2019)

# Shawsheen Tech spring female athletes of the decade

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over the last half of the decade, the girls have won two state vocational titles over the past four seasons, winning the championship in 2016 and 2018. The wrapped up the decade by going 10-1 in 2019 but narrowly missing out on the CAC title.

The Rams were 19-9 under Tildsley from 2010-2012, before going 4-5 under Broadrick in 2013, and then going 42-15 under McGrath, including those two vocational titles, including going 18-3 over the past two seasons.

## ALL-DECADE TEAM

**Rachel Blanchard** (Wilmington) - A multi-talented athlete who regularly put up points in four different events for the Rams, Blanchard was a Lowell Sun Second Team All-Star selection in the 200-meters in 2011 where she holds the Shawsheen record in a time of 26.93. She also had several meets where she finished first in the 100, triple jump and discus as well.

**Jackie Broderick** (Wilmington) - Broderick holds the Shawsheen record in the 800 meters in a time of 2:35.8, which she set at the 2017 CAC League Meet. At that same meet, she was also part of the winning 4x400 and 4x800 relay teams, and would later help lead the Rams to the state vocational title.

**Kristen Carroll** (Tewksbury) - Carroll not only holds the school's all time record in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:12.3, but she also excelled in several other events for the Rams,

including the long jump and the triple jump where she consistently put up points, particularly during her senior year of 2012, where she helped lead the Rams to an 8-3 record.

**Molly Harrington** (Tewksbury) - Athletes don't come much more multi-talented than Harrington. Also a member of the Rams All-Decade Swim team, Harrington excelled in as many as four track events for the Rams, including being part of the school record holding 4x400 relay team. She also put up points in the shot put, the individual 400 and the triple jump. In 2016, she took second in the shot put at the CAC League Meet.

**Iavana Wisky** (Tewksbury) - Wisky, along with Broderick, was part of a dominant 4x800 relay team for the Rams, and is part of the group that holds the all-time record in the event in a time of 11:09.6. She also earned a first place finish in the individual 800 at the CAC League Meet in her senior season of 2019 in a time of 2:37.87.

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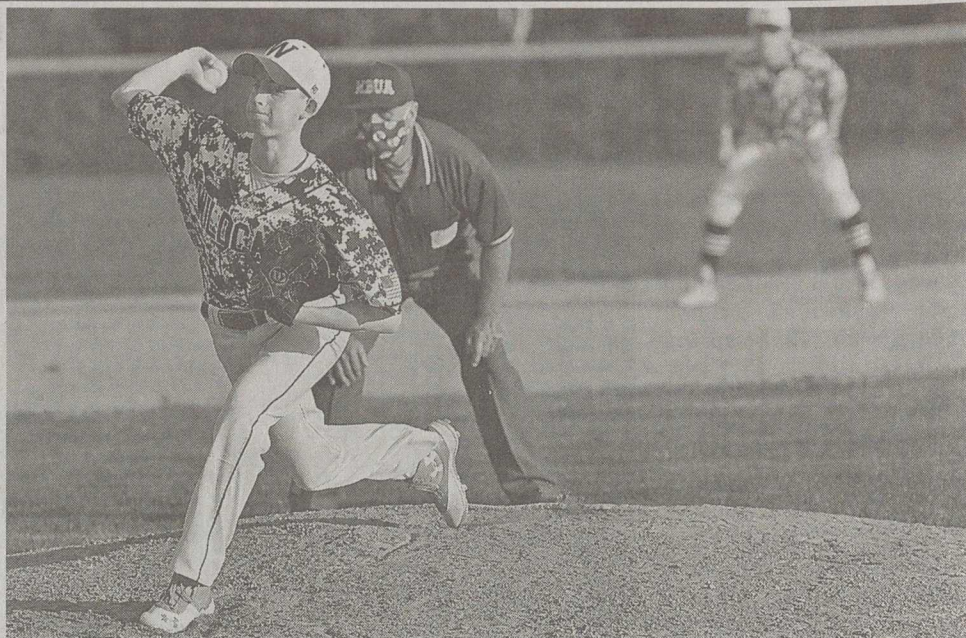
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**Samantha Fusco** (Wilmington) (2019)  
**Cassidy Phillips** (Tewksbury) (2019)  
**Taylor Simas** (Tewksbury) (2013)  
**Jenna Spinosa** (Tewksbury) (2013)



Wilmington Northeast Baseball team's pitcher Joey Dynan unleashes a pitch during the team's game against Dracut held two weeks ago.

(photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

# Northeast Baseball team splits pair of games against Billerica and Westford

Sunday night, the Wilmington Northeast Baseball team returned home where they haven't lost this season and defeated Billerica 7-3. Tristan Ciampa got the start for The Wildcats and he pitched a complete game giving up three runs on only three hits. Ciampa was dominant over the first three innings retiring the order in side in all three innings, needing only 31 pitches.

By the time Billerica was able to score three runs in the fourth inning, his teammates had already staked Ciampa to a 6-0 lead. Wilmington took advantage of some wild pitching from the Billerica starter. After three walks and two wild pitches, Wilmington had a 2-0 first inning lead without the aid of a single hit.

In the third inning, the Billerica starter retired the first two batters, then got into trouble again. Ciampa reached on an error. That was followed by walks to Vinny Scalfani, Garrett Moretto, and Joe Hartzell to score Ciampa. Joey Dynan then hit a grounder that was too hard to handle by their second baseman scoring Scalfani.

After Nico Piazza walked to force in Moretto, Hartzell took home on a wild pitch for their sixth run of the game.

Ciampa pitched himself

out of trouble in the sixth inning. Beginning to tire, Ciampa walked runners to first and second base with one out. He made a great play on a line drive up the middle on the next batter and threw to Scalfani at first for an inning ending double play.

The Wildcats added an insurance run as Derek Gallucci swiped home on a wild pitch for the final score of 7-3. The Wilmington Northeast team is now 4-2 on the season with an upcoming home game at Scanlon Field on Friday at 6pm.

Last Thursday night, the Wilmington Northeast team dropped a close road game 3-2 against Westford, dropping their record to 3-2. This was a pitchers' duel from the outset as Jack Toomey found himself up against the ace of the Westford staff.

Toomey was staked to a 2-0 lead in the first inning as Drew Gallucci reached on an error and moved to second on an infield hit by Brendon George. After the players advanced a base on a wild pitch, both runners scored on a Harry Serounian ground ball that Westford's third baseman threw into right field. That was the only scoring for Wilmington. This was the second road game in a row that the bats went silent. The Wildcats only hit of the game was the infield single by George.

But the story of the game for Wilmington was the pitching performance of Toomey. Making his first start of the season. He kept Westford off balance and retired the side in order for the first two innings. Westford was able to string together three hits in the bottom of the third to score their first run of the game to make it 2-1. Toomey overpowered Westford in the fourth inning and brilliantly pitched out of trouble in the fifth.

With one out, Toomey surrendered two singles and a walk to load the bases. He was able to bear down and strike out two batters in a row to leave the tying run on third. Wilmington tried to push across an insurance run, but stranded runners in scoring position in the third, fourth and sixth innings.

Toomey went to the mound in the sixth inning holding a 2-1 lead where a couple of defensive lapses cost the team. Two Westford runners reached base when weak ground balls were not cleanly fielded leading to errors. With the bases loaded and one out, Toomey tried to escape another jam. He struck out one batter for the second out. The following batter flared a single to right field scoring the tying and winning runs for Westford.

# LTA Baseball team off to 5-1 start

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**WILMINGTON** -- On a scorching 95 degree Monday afternoon, the LTA Wilmington baseball team scored early and often in a 13-1 rout over a visiting Lynnfield club that was undermanned and overwhelmed from the outset.

Lynnfield didn't stand a chance as Wilmington reeled off unanswered runs in each of five innings played, including a half-dozen scored in the fifth and mercifully, final frame in a "slaughter-rule" abbreviated game.

Wilmington improved to 5-1 in the LTA B Division with eight to play while Lynnfield sits in the middle of the pack with a 2-4 mark. Woburn, which handed North Andover a 20-8 drubbing on Monday is currently Wilmington's nearest challenger, trailing by a game in the win column at 4-1.

It's worth mentioning that Woburn dealt Wilmington their only loss thus far this summer.

Coach James Hill agreed that his club is firing on all cylinders and doing so in all three facets of the game, most recently - on offense.

"Like I've said before, you have to put the ball in play and force the other team to make plays," said Hill, whose team has thus far outscored opponents by an unwieldy 72-29 tally. "Even tiny mistakes can lead to us scoring a lot of runs so it's definitely important to put the ball in play and see what happens."

"We don't have any weak links in our order. I want to see everyone come up

to bat, from the top of our order to the bottom."

In a recent outing, Wilmington peppered the North End squad, 18-7. Mike Maselli led the team, batting 3-of-4 while Lars Ostebo, Brett Ebert, and Brett Gallucci each contributed a pair of hits. Burke Zimmer added an inside-the-park-home-run in a fifth inning that saw Wilmington score eight runs. Matt Ardito pitched five strong innings and Johnny Velozo closed it out, fanning four hitters in two innings pitched.

Patrick Hounsell got the ball for the Lynnfield match and delivered, limiting the opposition to one run on four hits. While not overpowering, Hounsell was efficient and on limited pitches, got many of the batters he faced to hit into grounders to the reliable defense behind him. Of note was the third inning when Hounsell retired the side on just three pitches.

"That's what happens when you throw strikes," said Hill. "I said it a couple weeks ago but the opposition can put the ball in play all they want because we're making the plays in the field."

Lynnfield was only able to field the minimum nine players but actually led early, 1-0. Cam Marengi slapped a slow chopper to short and outran the throw. John McKell scratched out a basehit, advancing Marengi to third. He later scored the sole Lynnfield run, safely reaching on a ground ball out.

Wilmington wasted little time recapturing the lead with a pair in the bottom of the first. Facing struggling hurler Robert

Higdon, leadoff man Jacon Roque walked on four pitches. He stole second, then third, and scored to tie it. Maselli, who was one of several batters hit by Higdon, eventually crossed to make it 2-1.

To say that Wilmington was aggressive on the basepaths would be an understatement. Runners always seemed to be in motion and stole eleven, occasionally drawing overthrows from a beleaguered infield.

Mike Monteforte added insurance in the second, to make it 3-1, and in the third, Wilmington doubled the advantage to 6-1 on runs scored by Bruce Zimmer, Patrick Stokes, and Ostebo.

Lynnfield dispatched Marengi in relief but there was little he could do to slow the Wilmington hit parade. In the fourth, Velozo reached on a bloop single to short center and later scored the seventh run on a wild pitch.

Lynnfield threatened in the fifth, capitalizing on a pair of uncommon fielding errors. But Shane Costello came up with a tremendous diving grab in center and Hounsell was clutch, stranding a pair in scoring position.

Wilmington was all over Lynnfield in the bottom of the fifth, scoring six before the officials signaled the end of the contest via the mercy rule.

"Wins and losses don't really matter much to me," said Hill, who next hosts Brookline Blue on Thursday evening. "It's always good to get the boost and reassurance that we're doing things right."



# Pitching and defense leads the Red Sox past the A's 5-1

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WILMINGTON- The second week of the Wilmington Little League Summer Series consisting

McCarthy pitched a complete game, giving up one un-earned run. Arsenault was McCarthy's battery mate, and he caught a great defensive game. That was all the run support Poyant would need. He was brilliant, pitching the entire game, striking out five batters and giving up no runs. Both Henry Santini and



Angels Jake Carr slides into third safely as Red Sox Jake Arsenault reaches for the ball during a recently played Wilmington Little League game. (photo by JoeBrownphotos.com).

of the Major League teams continued this past week with a handful of exciting games. Here's a recap of the games.  
**Red Sox 5, A's 1**  
The star of this game was Erin McCarthy. She set the tone early, striking out five of the first six A's batters she faced over the first two innings.  
"She dominated, she was on fire," said Jay Kelley, Red Sox manager. "She went the distance, right to the very end, she was awesome."  
McCarthy contributed on the base paths as well, stealing a base, which led to a run.  
"She was [dancing around] on base, the pitcher tried to pick her off; the first baseman threw back to the pitcher, and she just took off," said Kelley. "Great heads up play."  
Riley Young had a big hit in the game. John Roofe contributed with a hit and a big RBI.  
Pat Moriarity and Jake Arsenault also hit the ball well.  
Ronin Uftring played a great defensive game at shortstop. "He kept us in the game," Kelley said.

Kelley says this game in particular game was a good jumping off point for the Red Sox.  
"It took them a couple games, but they are really starting to understand the fundamentals," Kelley said. "They are paying a little more attention, and they are starting to believe in themselves."  
**Doubleheader**  
**Gm1: Angels 4, Royals 0**  
The first game of this doubleheader was a continuation of each team's first game from July 8th, as it was called due to bad weather.  
The game resumed in the top of the fourth inning; the Angels were up by a score of 2-0.  
To lead off, Shane McDonald roped a ball down the left line, making it to second base easily.  
That was followed by a David Dynan single. Dynan then stole second base to put runners at second and third.  
Will Poyant knocked in a run with a ground out to first, scoring McDonald.  
With Dynan on third, Aiden Harris hit a sacrifice fly. Dynan tagged up from third and scored to give the Angels a 4-0 lead.

Ryan Gray had solid pitching performances for the Royals.  
Gray struck out six batters over two innings of work.  
**Gm 2: Angels 5, Royals 4**  
The second game was a much closer game than Game 1.  
This contest was scoreless until the top of the third inning. The Royals were able to tack three runs on the board off of a couple of miscues by a normally solid Angels defense.  
The Royals' Nate Anderson singled to center. He moved to second base after Ethan LeConte reached on an error. Ryan Gray struck out but also reached on a error, which loaded the bases.  
Henry Santini reached first bases on another error by the Angels; that scored two runs, giving the Royals a 2-0.  
Ryan Gray then stole home, giving the Royals one more run and a 3-0 lead.  
The Angels threatened in the bottom of the third. Royals starter Nate Anderson pitched 2.2 innings of shutout baseball to that point.

The Angels Chase Heffernan walked and Jake Carr singled all with two outs.  
That prompted Royals manager Henry Belding to bring in Ryan Gray. He retired the only hitter he faced in that inning.  
The Angels continued to chip away at the lead in the bottom of the fourth inning. David Dynan and Luke Kitanov were able to reach on a singled and an error respectively.  
Spencer Walker and Davide Vitale both walked to put the Angels on the board, cutting the lead to 3-1.  
Royals Ryan Gray struck out the next hitter, then hit Matthew Norton with a pitch to force in the second run, cutting the lead to 3-2.  
The Royals were held without a run heading in to the bottom of the fifth.  
Will Poyant singled and Shane McDonald reached on an error, putting runners at first and second.  
David Dynan doubled to left center, scoring Poyant to cut tie the game at 3-3.  
Aiden Harris stepped to the plate and drove in the go ahead runs (McDonald and Dynan) to put the Angels ahead 5-3.  
The Royals were ready to take the lead back in the top of the sixth. Logan Zimmer singled to left and Ryan Gray got on base after another defensive error.  
Jake Carr struck out the next two batters he faced. Zimmer reached on a wild pitch by Carr to cut the lead to 5-4. Carr was able to strike out the final batter to end the game.

Royals in the bottom of the fourth. Logan Zimmer tallied an inside the park home run, extending the lead to 7-1.  
That was all the Royals needed; starting pitcher Logan Zimmer made his Major League debut on the mound, and he had a strong night, pitching five great innings, striking out nine Orioles batters.  
Zimmer's battery mate, Nolan Richards, caught a strong game for the Royals behind the plate.  
Ethan LeConte came in to pitch the final inning for the Royals, striking out all three batters he faced.  
For the Orioles, JR Haggerty pitched five innings, striking out five Royals batters.  
Joey Mytech in to pitch the sixth inning and struck two of the three batters he face.  
Joe Cavanaugh was a bright spot for the O's offense. Joey Fallis also played great defense at second base.

Angels 23, Orioles 3  
The Angels beat the Orioles in convincing fashion on Monday, scoring 23 runs on 12 hits.  
Jake Carr led the way with four hits in the game for the Angles. Will Poyant, David Dynan, Luke Kitanov, Mickey Moroney, and David Vitale all had hits for the Angels. Several players were patient at the plate, reaching base by way of the walk.  
The Orioles also hit the ball well, with six hits of their own. Gavin Poirier, Jonathan Stokes, JR Haggerty, Charlotte Forcina, and Ryan Fitzgerald all had hits for the Orioles.  
The difference in the game was pitching. Gavin Poirier was solid on the mound for the Orioles for the first three innings. Orioles manager Brian Kane had to go to the bullpen by the fourth inning.  
The combination of Will Poyant and Aiden Harris looked to be in mid season form, as they combined for seven strikeouts, while only giving up three runs in six innings.

A look back at 1994 feature article on Mike Ellsworth, who overcame obstacles to play the game he loves

# This little leaguer's idol is Jim Abbott

This story originally appeared in the June 1st, 1994 edition of the Wilmington Town Crier.  
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After the birth of their first son, the last thing Michael and Lisa Ellsworth wanted to hear from the doctor, was their new child would never be able to walk, talk or do anything anyone else can do.  
Michael junior, surely proved the doctors wrong. Michael, now ten years old, was diagnosed as a

like everyone else, but they also pull for each other and help each other a lot," added their father.  
Michael's best friend is Timmy Hogg, who has been there for him since day one. He helps him carry his books, holds the door for him and always supports and cheers him on during his baseball games. Timmy also was the one who showed Michael how to ride a bike.  
"Timmy is really nice to me. He shows me how to do a lot of things. All of my friends have helped me," said Michael.  
Michael has already set and lived up to a number of his goals and dreams. One time when he was at the doctor's office, the doctor had asked him was there one thing he would like to do? Michael answered that he would like to tie his shoes one day. He has already accomplished that goal, as well as many others, which he never thought he could accomplish, including playing the game of baseball that he loves so much.  
One of his other dreams is to someday meet Jim Abbott, the former left-handed pitcher for the California Angels and New York Yankees, who pitches and catches without a right hand.  
"Michael would be tickled pink if he ever met (Abbott)," said Lisa.  
Michael would like to also someday follow in the footsteps of Abbott and being able to pitch.  
"He has been practicing pitching," said his father. "He really is determined and challenged to do it. With a little more arm strength and a little more

practice, he might be able to do it."  
Michael is a first baseman and occasionally he plays in the outfield. He catches with his right hand, then flips his glove onto his elbow to throw righthanded. He also bats righthanded. He uses an open stance where his whole body is facing the pitcher, then he unloads, swinging the bat one-handed. Thus far it has worked out for him and he continued to improve hitting the ball - for more and more base hits.  
"I'm very impressed by the will and determination Michael has," said Giants' coach Eddie Collins. "He's a super, super nice kid who is not afraid of anything."  
Added Michael's grandfather, Nelson Ellsworth, "He is a very determined kid. He's not afraid of the ball. He teaches himself a lot. He has done very well."  
Not only does Michael excel as a young boy and as a baseball player, but he also does well in school, keeping up with solid grades. His mother credits a lot of his success to the teachers and guidance counselors at the Woburn Street School.  
"They have been the best," she said. "They really have done a lot of work with him. I give them a lot of the credit."  
Even with the difficulty and frustration of not being able to do some things, Michael is starting to understand more about his condition and that has helped his confidence.  
"I'm used to (going to therapy), it's easy," he said.  
Even though he played youth soccer last year and

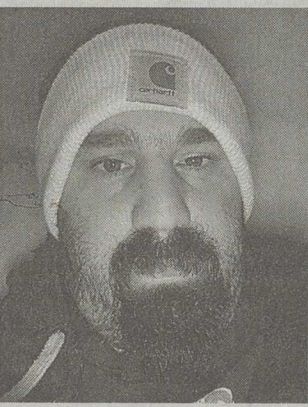
plays football and street hockey with his friends, baseball remains Michael's favorite sport.  
He was asked what he likes the most about it?  
"Hitting home runs," he answered.  
And the hardest part?  
"Making the stretches at first base."  
**CATCHING UP**  
The Town Crier reached out to Ellsworth, who has lived in Woburn for the past 16 years and has been employed by Lucci's Supermarket in Wilmington since 2001. He was asked if he continued to play baseball after that 1994 season with the Giants.  
"I continued to play until I finished the eighth grade," he said. "The older I got, the worse my offense got, but at playing first base my defense was awesome. I was going to try out for freshman football in high school, but during the physical, it was discovered I had Osgood Schlatters (disease), which is an extra bump on my right knee (caused by swelling and irritation of the growth plate at the top of the shinbone). I still have it to this day. I opted out from playing football and sports all together so I could concentrate on my schoolwork. I pretty much was a B average student. I did end up graduating high school in 2001 at age 17, and I was one of the youngest in my class."  
Ellsworth was asked about what he remembers from playing for the Giants at the minor league level before moving onto the higher levels, including playing for the White Sox at the Major League level.

"My fondest memories of little league baseball is first my teammates, the action from when my team was in the field and making great defensive plays. I always remember jumping high up to make a catch, or turning a double play."  
It's been nearly 25 years since Ellsworth played for Bob Gage and the White Sox, and Gage said there's one conversation he had with him that he will always remember.  
"In the 33 years that I coached, Mike was one of my most memorable draft picks," said Gage. "I'll always remember how excited he and his mother were when I called to tell him that he made the Major League White Sox. That's really what youth sport coaching should be about - providing good memories to everyone."  
"Mike was very hard working and would stay after practices to work on his bat control. He never had any issues with his fielding. Mike came from a very nice family. Two years later, I drafted his younger brother Danny."  
Mike was asked today about those days, playing without his left hand.  
"I never really thought about my left hand situation much. I concentrated on just doing my job, like Bill Belichick says," said Ellsworth with a laugh. "Yes it took me a extra half or full second for me to get the ball where it needed to be, but I did it! None of my teammates complained about it and neither did I. We all were out there to first off have fun and like I said do our jobs."

left-hemiplegic - which is described as not being able to use the left side of your body) when he was born. With a lot of hard work and determination, he was able to beat the odds that were against him. He is now enjoying every moment playing the sport that he loves - baseball, for the Wilmington's minor league Giants.  
Immediately after he was born, Michael's parents put him into physical and occupational therapy treatment and what started out as rolling as a toddler instead of crawling,



Mike Ellsworth from his WHS Graduation photo from 2001 and then a picture of him today.



very determined and the family is just so proud of what he has accomplished."  
Michael has received a lot of help from his family and friends. His brother Danny, who is seven years old, has been a big help to him. Whether it's been assisting him with chores or just being a brother, the two have been very close.  
"I'm so proud of both boys, they are just really great," said Lisa. "They really are great kids. Sure they have their fights and different interests just





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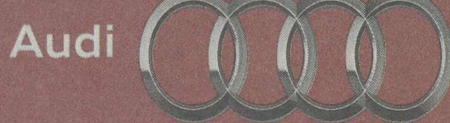


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